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## Mubarak: Timetable for Palestinian autonomy a must

TEL AVIV, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — Egypt regards a timetable for the institution of Palestinian autonomy in Israeli-occupied territories as "very, very important" — and the government of Israel should realize this, Egyptian Vice President Hosni Mubarak said Saturday.

In an interview with the Israeli state radio, Mubarak said that if Egypt were not demanding a specific timetable for setting up autonomous administrations in the West Bank of Jordan and Gaza Strip, "that would mean we are looking for a separate agreement, which would never lead to peace."

The Washington peace talks are snagged over Egypt's demand that autonomy be established within nine months of a peace treaty signing, to coincide with Israel's initial withdrawal from the Sinai desert.

Israel has agreed to open negotiations on autonomy one month after the signing, but balks at setting a deadline for the negotiations.

Mubarak said Israel's willingness to open negotiations was "good, but when is the autonomy going to start and when will the self-government be in action?"

Mubarak called the timetable issue "very, very important — and the government of Israel should realize this."

Mubarak sidestepped a question of whether Egypt would abrogate a treaty with Israel if West Bank-Gaza negotiations did not proceed satisfactorily.

"Are you looking for general peace or not? That is the question," he told his Israeli interviewer. "If you are looking for general peace, everything could

be finished according to the timetable."

In Cairo, President Anwar Sadat Saturday discussed with his senior aides the state of peace talks with Israel and officials said Egypt's position on the occupied territories remained unchanged.

Details of the one-hour meeting, which included Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and Acting Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali, were kept secret but senior foreign ministry officials said Egypt was still insisting on linkage and a timetable.

Sadat recalled Ghali, number two on the Egyptian negotiating team, to Cairo this week for consultations and sent Mubarak to Washington to explain in detail Egypt's position on the talks.

The three men declined to speak to reporters after their meeting but Ghali said there would be further meetings after the return of Mubarak this weekend.

Egypt has said that should the timetable for self-rule on the West Bank be delayed it wanted elections to go ahead in Gaza for self-governing councils.

Egypt, which administered Gaza until it was occupied by Israel in 1967, also wants to re-establish its presence in the territory by taking part with Israel in the election process during a transition period.

In addition, Egypt wants talks on the two territories to start one month after the signing of the peace treaty.

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance has endorsed the Egyptian ideas as "constructive."

"We shall await the response of the other side to these suggestions," Vance said after a luncheon meeting Friday with Mubarak in Washington.



MEETS FAHD: U.S. Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal at his meeting with Crown Prince Fahd Saturday.

### Vows to restore security

## Azhari presents new govt.

TEHRAN, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — Iran's military premier, Gen. Gholam Reza Azhari, Saturday presented his predominantly civilian "temporary government" to parliament and sought a confidence vote on its program of restoring the country to normal.

From the mood of the Majlis (lower house), there was little doubt that Gen. Azhari would get the confidence vote required by the constitution, though the small, fledgling opposition group stayed away from Saturday's session.

The 61-year-old armed forces chief of staff, appointed by the Shah 12 days ago to stamp out street violence against his rule, said the government's program was to maintain law and order, ensure essential supplies and get Iran's strike-torn economy working again.

He also pledged to clamp down on corruption, one of the main targets of demonstrations against the Shah and establishment politicians this year.

Meanwhile Iranian primary schools and the capital's foreign schools, closed by the government after the Nov. 5 rioting that brought Gen. Azhari to power, reopened Saturday — one of the few signs that national life was returning to normal.

Foreign schools reported roughly 10 per cent fewer children attending Saturday than before the closure, an indication of the proportion of foreign families that have pulled out of Iran since the recent troubles.

Some foreign families have left altogether, others have sent wives and children home until the political turbulence



ADDRESSES PARLIAMENT: Iran's new prime minister and former chief of staff Gen. Gholamreza Azhari addresses the Iranian parliament Saturday. (Wirephoto)

subsidies.

But there were plenty of signs that strikes, go-slows and other action taken by workers in protest against the authorities were continuing.

The official Pars news agency said three persons were killed and two injured during an anti-state demonstration in the holy city of Mashhad in northeast Iran Friday.

Production in the oil industry, mainstay of the Iranian economy, was only slightly above half-normal capacity, a sign that some workers were still striking to back demands for an end to martial law and expulsion of foreign technicians.

The gas industry remained hit by disruption, cutting off

pipled supplies to the Soviet Union and affecting availability of bottled gas used for cooking in Iran's big cities.

Bazaar merchants in Tehran kept their shops closed for the 12th day running, and shoppers reported tension in the tangled maze of covered alleys.

### Next week

## Fahoum to head PLO delegation to Jordan

DAMASCUS, Nov. 18 (R) — A Palestinian leader said Saturday he would have contacts with Jordanian officials on the date for a visit to Amman next week by a delegation of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

Khaled Fahoum, speaker of the Palestine National Council (PNC) — parliament in exile — told reporters he would head a delegation to discuss the improvement of Palestinian-Jordanian relations and arrange a visit by PLO leader Yasser Arafat.

The PLO's relations with Jordan deteriorated when the Jordanian army drove armed Palestinian commandos out of the country in bloody fighting in 1970 and 1971.

"The Jordanian-Palestinian dialogue aims at improving relations between Jordan and the PLO in order to ensure steadfastness and foil attempts and conspiracies seeking to liquidate the Palestine question and impose self-rule on occupied territory," he said.

Fahoum said he hoped the PLO delegation's visit would take place next Tuesday or some other time next week.

King Hussein of Jordan and Arafat last met at the Baghdad summit earlier this month.

### Joint Commission

## Saudi Arabia, U.S. sign 3 agreements

By Jim Landers

JEDDAH, Nov. 18 — Saudi Arabia and the United States signed three agreements Saturday designed to increase American assistance in Saudi development of management training, transportation and agricultural loans.

The agreements were signed by Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheikh Muhammad Abu Al-Khail and U.S. Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal, who is here on a three-day visit.

Later Saturday, Blumenthal met with Crown Prince Fahd to discuss American positions on economic and energy matters.

Blumenthal said on arrival Friday that he would explain in "considerable detail" the recent measures taken by President Carter to strengthen the U.S. dollar. Prior to Carter's Nov. 1 actions, the dollar had been plummeting against other currencies for months.

Blumenthal was expected to discuss the American position on world oil prices and the continued use of the dollar as the currency of the world petroleum market in his talks with Prince Fahd and other Saudi government officials.

Sources traveling with the U.S. Secretary said Saturday that Blumenthal would seek a continuation of the oil price freeze agreed to in Caracas last year by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

The United States according to these sources, is of the opinion that an increase in the price of oil next month

at OPEC's meeting in Abu Dhabi would undermine Carter's recent dollar-strengthening program.

The last OPEC price increase was in January of 1977.

Finance Minister Abu Al-Khail, in remarks welcoming Blumenthal to Saudi Arabia Saturday, hailed Carter's Nov. 1 actions for having "an immediate beneficial effect," and said the Saudi government expected the President's actions to "contribute to greater economic growth and expanded international trade in raw materials and manufactured goods."

"During the past year the world witnessed a series of decisive developments, particularly in the international monetary system and in international trade exchange positions," the Minister said. "The instability which dominated the financial markets during the year affected the economies of both developed and developing countries."

"However," Sheikh Abu Al-Khail said, "the program initiated by the U.S. government during the past few weeks to intervene in financial markets has had an immediate beneficial effect."

Carter directed Treasury officials to borrow up to \$30 billion through the International Monetary Fund and other foreign sources to combat speculative trading in the dollar and world currency markets. The President also applauded a sharp rise in the U.S. prime interest rate by the Federal Reserve Board, a credit-tightening measure de-

signed to attract more dollars back into the United States. More than \$600 billion is circulating outside the United States.

The three new agreements were signed at the fourth annual meeting of the Saudi Arabian-U.S. Joint Commission for Economic Cooperation.

The first agreement calls for U.S. assistance in development of the Saudi Agricultural Bank, providing it with American experts and the training of nine Bank officials in the United States.

Under the second agreement, the United States is to increase its technical assistance in highways, bus transport, railroads and other areas covered by the Saudi Ministry of Communications.

The third accord calls for increased training in the United States for administrative and management personnel in the Saudi government.

Blumenthal noted that some \$800 million in development projects were now being handled through the Joint Commission.

"I think it is obvious to all of us gathered here that Joint Commission activities have implications that far exceed the sphere of economic cooperation," Blumenthal said at the Commission meeting Saturday. "Complementing American economic interests in the Middle East is the deep political involvement that we have had here for many years."

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## Venezuelan leader confident oil prices will be increased

MARACAIBO, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — Oil prices are certain to be increased at next month's pricing conference of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez has said.

He told reporters Friday: "You can be sure there will be

an increase," but he declined to forecast what percentage rise would be agreed on at the Dec. 16 meeting in Abu Dhabi.

OPEC President Sheikh Ali Khalifah Al-Sabah, who is also Kuwait's oil minister, had talks with Perez in Caracas this week.

In another development, OPEC's economic commission Saturday ended a four-day meeting in Vienna to work out oil price recommendations that will be submitted to the ministerial conference in Abu Dhabi.

It was not known what price increase was recommended to the oil ministers, who are not bound by the commission's findings and have overhauled recommendations for hefty hikes several times in the past.

OPEC countries have recently called for an oil price boost ranging from 5 to 25 percent to offset huge losses they have suffered as a result of the dollar decline and inflation in Western industrial countries.

The OPEC secretariat also announced another topic discussed by the economic commission was the possible substitution of the U.S. dollar, the chief oil accounting unit, by a "basket" of currencies, as has

been repeatedly called for by several OPEC members.

However, under OPEC statutes, all policy decisions require a unanimous vote, and the 13-member organization has so far failed to reach a consensus on the issue.

Since the price for one barrel of crude oil was last raised to \$12.70 on Jan. 1, 1977, OPEC countries have reportedly suffered a 15 percent loss in foreign exchange earnings from their oil sales.

The commission's parley will be followed in Vienna Monday by a session of the OPEC board of governors that will address mainly administrative and budget matters.

Meanwhile in Mexico City, it was officially announced that Mexico will revise its crude oil prices next month and is considering an increase of 10 per cent.

Jorge Diaz Serrano, director of the state-run Mexican Petroleum Company (PEPEX), said Mexico adjusts its oil prices every three months.

Because of the falling value of the dollar, Mexico was losing valuable income through oil exports, he added.

Mexico, which is not a member of OPEC sells its oil at prices higher than those set by OPEC, Diaz Serrano said.

## Peace treaty eludes American predictions

By Robert Cullen

WASHINGTON — On Oct. 13, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance predicted the Middle East peace treaty would be signed by Nov. 19, the first anniversary of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's trip to Jerusalem.

But it appears Sunday, Nov. 19, will pass with no treaty negotiated, let alone signed.

The Israeli cabinet meets Sunday to consider separate suggestions from Sadat and the United States for moving the peace talks away from the current deadlock.

The differences are over linking the treaty with further negotiations on the fate of Palestinians in territories under Israeli occupation.

After meeting Friday with Egyptian Vice President Hosni Mubarak, Vance made the first public U.S. characterization of Sadat's proposal, calling it "constructive."

The U.S. proposal sets the end of 1979 as a target date for elections among the 1.1 million Palestinians on the West Bank of Jordan and in Gaza. Sadat has suggested including a timetable for those elections in the peace treaty.

One month ago, U.S. State Department spokesman George Sherman told reporters: "All sides are pleased. We have achieved just about as much as anyone could have predicted."

The next day, Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan emerged from a White House meeting and told reporters that "difficulties" had arisen.

The problem stemmed from the decision at Camp David to erect two separate "frameworks," the first covering peace between Egypt and Israel and the second dealing with the more difficult problem of peace on the West Bank, in the Gaza Strip, and a resolution of the Palestinian problem.

There was no specific language making the first framework dependent on the other, although Sadat and U.S. President Jimmy Carter insisted that the "linkage" was tacitly understood by all parties at Camp David. In retrospect, an American all the parties at Camp David. In retrospect, an American all the parties at Camp David. In retrospect, an American all the parties at Camp David.

In the Arab world, Egypt was almost universally damned for negotiating a separate peace agreement with Israel at Camp David.

Egypt, therefore, entered subsequent negotiations determined to come up with a treaty that would plainly state that Israel was not getting a separate peace that did not obligate it to resolve the Palestinian question.

Israel, on the other hand, was determined to avoid the linkage Egypt and the U.S. wanted. In the Israeli view, the linkage Egypt and the U.S. wanted. In the Israeli view, the linkage Egypt and the U.S. wanted. In the Israeli view, the linkage Egypt and the U.S. wanted.

By Nov. 6, Sherman said progress was still being made. But more problems were becoming apparent. Dayan said there could be no treaty until the United States dealt with Israel's request for a \$3.3 billion loan to pay for the Sinai withdrawal.

Three days later, a White House official, who did not allow his name to be used, told reporters there was a "growing concern" growing in the White House that there might not be a treaty. On Nov. 13, Carter publicly accused both sides of stubbornness. (AP)

## Andreotti opens talks with Saddam Hussein

BAGHDAD, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti arrived here Saturday on the last leg of his tour of four Arab states.

Shortly after his arrival Andreotti embarked on talks on bilateral and trade and economic cooperation with Iraq's Vice President Saddam Hussein.

Informed sources said the main topic concerns the establishment of a car assembly plant in Iraq by Italy's Fiat company, whose construction has already started.

The sources said another topic will be an increase in the quantity of Iraqi crude oil purchased by Italy.

Andreotti arrived in Baghdad from Amman, where after conferring with King Hussein and Premier Mudar Badran had failed in his avowed intent to persuade Jordan to join the current Egyptian-Israeli peace talks.

In a departure statement Andreotti urged all parties involved in the Middle East prob-

lem to avail themselves of all opportunities that might settle the crisis. Such a settlement should be within the framework of United Nations resolutions and the line adopted by the European Economic Community last year, he added.

Informed sources said during his talks in Amman Andreotti expressed his government's readiness to participate in development projects in Jordan.

The primary purpose of the Italian premier's visit to Libya, Egypt, Jordan and Iraq was to promote closer political relations and expand trade between Italy and these Arab states according to Italian sources.

At the end of his visit to Cairo Friday and his talks with President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, Andreotti expressed Italy's support for the Camp David agreements and declared he would do his best "to remove the dissent of some... because negotiations lead to construction and war to destruction."

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## Muhammad Naguib urges Arabs to support Sadat's peace bid

CAIRO, Nov. 18 (AP)—Former President Muhammad Naguib broke his long silence Saturday and appealed to all Arab leaders to unite in renouncing wars with Israel and support the Egyptian peace drive.

Naguib, deposed by the late President Gamal Abdul Nasser 24 years ago, emerged from oblivion and blessed President Anwar Sadat's peace efforts as the only road to prosperity for this economically battered country of 40 million.

"Arab brothers, repress your grudges and greed at least for a short period and make a truce with Sadat until he drives home his (peace) negotiation objectives, until he attains the maximum possible (of stability) for us all," said

Naguib in a signed article published by the newspaper "al-Ahram."

Naguib, 78, cautioned the Arabs against continued bickering which "will inflict on you the same sad fate that befell the Arabs in Spain," where the Omayyad Muslim caliphate was thwarted in the 11th century A.D.

"Let's not forget that Sadat is negotiating for the good of Egypt and all the Arabs, while some (Arabs) are trying to stall and undermine his efforts," said Naguib. "These (Arabs) are motivated by selfish interests and thrones that are bound to crumble."

Naguib played a crucial role in the 1952 military coup that toppled the monarchy and instituted the republic in which he became Egypt's first

president.

He negotiated the British military evacuation from Sudan, and was ousted after a virulent power struggle with Nasser in 1954.

He has been living in seclusion at the Cairo suburb of Ezbet al Nokh (farm of the palm-trees) since his overthrow.

**Nobel committee facing security problems**

OSLO, Nov. 18 (AP)—The Norwegian Nobel Committee has not yet solved security problems connected with the Dec. 10 peace prize ceremony here, a committee spokesman has said.

Authorities have declared the main hall of Old Oslo University—the traditional site for awarding the peace prizes—too difficult to make secure for this year's winners.

Both Egyptian President Sadat and Israeli Premier Begin have said they will be in Oslo to accept the \$165,000 prize and gold medals and diplomas that go with it.

The five-member Nobel Committee and Nobel institute director, Jakob Sverdrup, met again Friday without reaching a final decision on another location from suggestions offered by the committee, the foreign ministry as well as the police.

Sverdrup said no final decision was expected until "early next week."

Speculation over a new location for the ceremony centers on Akershus, the medieval castle and renaissance palace overlooking inner Oslo harbor.

## Colonization brings positive results, Israeli rabbi claims

OTTAWA, Nov. 18 (AP)—A visiting Israeli rabbi says thousands of Jews can migrate to the West Bank of the Jordan River without upsetting the Palestinian inhabitants.

Shear Yeshuv Cohen, chief rabbi of Haifa, claimed in a Friday interview that more settlements mean better chances for "sources of existence and economic progress" for Arabs living in the area.

Cohen, who described himself as a religious Zionist, alleged colonization brings positive results.

"If it (colonization) was so bad, Canada wouldn't exist today," he claimed.

The former deputy mayor of Jerusalem and a former chaplain to the Israeli army said "every religious Jew believes in peace."

He said that although the price for Israel of the recent Camp David accords was high, Israel and its neighbors can cooperate to their mutual benefit.

However he said he does not think a separate Palestinian state should be part of the package.

Cohen's Ottawa visit is being sponsored by Mizrahi Zionist Organization, in Israel, the Mizrahi is a political party and forms part of Prime Minister Begin's ruling coalition.

## Judge orders release of Mrs. Bhutto

LAHORE, Nov. 18 (R)—A high court judge Saturday ordered Pakistan's military rulers to release Mrs. Nusrat Bhutto, wife of condemned ex-Premier Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

Iranian-born Mrs. Bhutto has been held under house arrest since last March accused of organizing demonstrations in support of her husband.

Judge Chaudhry Muhammad Siddique accepted a petition for her release in a ruling seen as a setback for army ruler Gen. Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq, who has jailed most of Bhutto's leading supporters.

But Mrs. Bhutto could be rearrested as Saturday's order covers only her present detention under martial law.

Bhutto's elder daughter Benazir, a 25-year-old Oxford and Harvard graduate, was similarly freed from house arrest in June but was rearrested last month and confined to a house in Islamabad.

The supreme court is expected to rule next month on Bhutto's appeal against conviction and sentence of death on charges of ordering the murder of a political opponent four years ago.

Mrs. Bhutto has been appointed acting chairman of her husband's Pakistan People's Party while he is in jail.

Gen. Zia has deprived the party of its leadership by jailing most members of its central executive committee.

The party charged recently that 10,000 of its members are also in jail.

## Israel reimposes ban on West Bank meetings

JERUSALEM, Nov. 18 (Agencies)—The Israeli government Saturday reimposed its ban on political gathering in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip following recent mass meeting in which Palestinian mayors made hostile remarks against Israel, military sources said.

The military governor of the West Bank, Brig-Gen. Binyamin Ben Eliezer, called in the mayors of Hebron, Ramallah and Nablus, the main towns in the area, to reprimand them, and informed them of the decision to ban such meetings in the future, the sources said.

Some 5,000 Palestinians attended the meeting called by the West Bank mayors in Nablus 10 days ago to discuss the Camp David accords, which turned into an anti-Israeli rally, with statements: "We must free Jaffa and Ramle" which are towns in Palestine taken over by Zionist terror groups in 1948.

Israeli military authorities banned political meetings in the West Bank after the area was captured in 1967 but permitted public gathering following the Camp David agreement to allow the Palestinians to discuss their future.

## Parley on U.S. media and the Arabs planned

From Our Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 — Georgetown University will host a major symposium next April on the American media and the Arab world, the university announced recently.

Prominent American and Arab journalists, scholars and public figures are slated to attend the two-day conference, which opens here April 19.

"The symposium will examine various facets of the relationship between the American broadcast, print and film media and the Arab world," the university said.

Panelists will cover the following topics:

- U.S. media coverage of Arab news developments;
- American media access to Arab news sources;
- the American people's perceptions and attitudes towards the Arabs; and
- comparative analyses of the media treatment of current issues in U.S.-Arab relations.

The symposium is being sponsored by the university's Center for Contemporary Arab Studies.

Names of prominent participants will be announced later this month, the university said.

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## Israel, PLO criticize U.N. film on refugees

UNITED NATIONS, Nov. 18 (AP)—Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization are giving bad reviews to a United Nations film about U.N. work for Palestinian refugees.

The PLO called the film "dreadful, Israel's ambassador to the U.N. said the movie glorifies terrorism."

The one-hour movie, titled "The Palestinians Do Have Rights?" was scheduled for viewing on Nov. 29, the first official, "day of solidarity with the Palestinian people." It was commissioned by the U.N. Committee on Palestinian Rights at a cost of \$100,000.

The committee is generally considered to be sympathetic to the PLO, but PLO U.N. obser-

ver Zehdi Labib Terzi said, "it's dreadful."

"It was supposed to be a documentary about the U.N. resolutions. But not once does it say that the General Assembly passed a resolution condemning Israel."

If they were making it for their own purposes, Terzi said, "the Zionists could not have done it any better."

Yehuda Blum, Israel's ambassador to the U.N. called it "a 'documentary' film glorifying the terrorists and starring Yasser Arafat 'explaining' the aims of his organization." Arafat is the PLO's chairman.

A senior U.N. official said that in producing the movie, the U.N. secretariat strove for objectivity and was satisfied it had achieved that.

The official, who asked that his name not be used, said the movie showed not only Israeli attacks on Arabs but also the PLO raid on Ma'alot in Israel. He said it also showed scenes of Israeli cabinet member Moshe Dayan speaking in the General Assembly.

The U.N. office of public information, which made the film, sent a film crew to Jordan, Syria and Lebanon last spring for location shots. Israel wouldn't let the crew in.

## M.E. Briefs

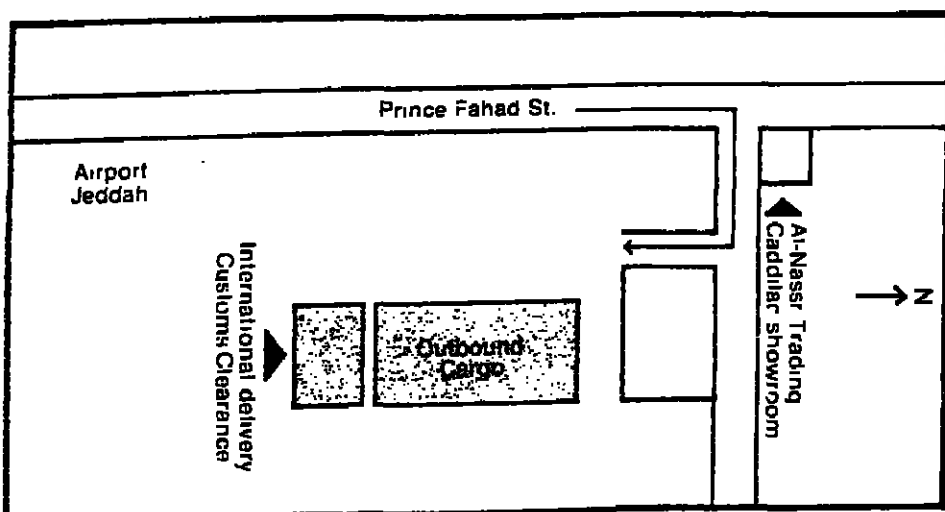
● MOSCOW: — Iraqi Defense Minister Col. Adnan Khairallah Talfah will pay an official visit here this month for talks with his Soviet counterpart Marshal Dmitry Ustinov, Tass news agency reported Saturday.

● ALGIERS: The Algerian government daily "al-Moudjahid" Saturday welcomed the apparent American refusal to sell arms to Morocco, after the visit to Washington by King Hassan II. The daily said the Moroccan king went to the United States to rally support for his African and Middle East policies, but only his support for Sadat was welcome in Washington.

● MANILA: The Philippines army claimed Saturday it had uncovered a Muslim rebel plot to assassinate its southern commander, Rear-Admiral Romulo Espaldon, in an effort to boost the six-year secessionist rebellion.

● CANBERRA: Career diplomat John Starey, aged 44, has been appointed Australian ambassador to Iraq, succeeding Hugh Truscott. The foreign affairs minister Andrew Peacock, announced the appointment Friday.

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## Mother berates America

## CIA man guilty of spying

HAMMOND, Indiana, Nov. 18 (AP) — "How could America do this to my son?" screamed William Kampiles' Greek-born mother as she rushed to his side, weeping uncontrollably after his conviction as a spy against the United States.

## Peking leaders divided over Mao reassessment

TOKYO, Nov. 18 (AP) — The Chinese Communist Party leadership is apparently divided over the current campaign to reassess the importance of teachings of late Chairman Mao Tse-tung, a Japanese news report from Peking said Friday.

## Claude Dauphin, veteran actor, dies in France

PARIS, Nov. 18 (AP) — Claude Dauphin, the French actor, died here early Friday at the age of 75.

He died in an ambulance en route to hospital after suffering an intestinal occlusion. Dauphin, a star of light comedy before World War II, developed into a great actor in the post-war years, in roles ranging from Willie Loman in "Death of a Salesman" to Voltaire, and Shylock.

He was a regular visitor to the U.S. in the 1950s and also appeared in many Hollywood films, including "The Quiet American."

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## Fukuda leads in election campaign



Takeo Fukuda

TOKYO, Nov. 18 (AP) — Buoyed by a sharp rise in his sagging popularity, Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda has pushed ahead of three party rivals in the first phase of his campaign to win a second two-year term.

A Kyodo News Service telephone poll indicated Fukuda was well out front in Nov. 8-26 primary balloting among the 1.5 million regular and associate members of the ruling Liberal-Democratic Party to choose the man who will be party president and, automatically, the next prime minister.

The final vote, by the 379 party members of the Diet, will be held Dec. 1. Six months ago, few Japanese would have given the 73-year-old Fukuda much of a chance. High consumer prices, rising unemployment, a faltering economy, the rising yen and a long-delayed peace treaty with China made Masayoshi Ohira, 68, the party's sleepy-eyed secretary-general, seem the probable choice.

The other two candidates, Yasuhiro Nakasone, 60, chairman of the Party Executive Council, and Toshio Komoto, 67, minister of international trade and industry, were seen as far out of the running.

Fukuda's salvation was the China treaty. Thanks to the persistence of his foreign minister, Sunao Sonoda, and his own recognition that he had to do something spectacular, the treaty was finally pushed through.

The euphoria created by the

treaty and Teng's visit helped obscure Fukuda's disappointing economic policies.

Chosen because he was believed to have the expertise to cope with Japan's mounting problems, he seemed unable to get the economy moving. The business community complained that his measures were late and insufficient.

Though he tried to keep down the flood of exports alienating the United States and Western Europe, the hefty favorable trade balances kept mounting. Unemployment reached 1.5 million, a high figure in a country where, because of paternalism and family employment, it usually is almost non-existent.

Japanese industrialists and economists were openly skeptical. The high-priced yen forced Japanese exporters to raise prices of their products, making them less competitive in the European and American markets.

Carter stepped into this gloomy situation in November with his measures, backed by Fukuda, to steady the dollar. The results — a 10 yen drop in value — were another plus for the prime minister.

## On cruise missile's range

## Soviets concede SALT issue

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (R) — The Soviet Union has dropped its demands for a range limit on American bomber-launched cruise missiles, a move that could overcome congressional objections to a nuclear arms treaty, government sources said Friday.

But they said Soviet negotiations continued to insist on a 600-km (360-mile) range limit on ground-launched cruise missiles for Europe, which European NATO members have opposed.

The cruise missile, a small, pilotless aircraft, is America's latest nuclear weapon.

It can fly only 60 meters above the ground, making it difficult to pick up on radar. Proposed range limits have been criticized in the Senate which must approve the eight-year Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty now being negotiated.

The sources, who are close to the talks, said the whole question of cruise missile range limits was still open. The sources said the Soviet offer to abandon limits for air-launched cruise missiles might indicate Kremlin leaders were more worried about battlefield cruise missiles in Europe than the bomber-launched, intercontinental version.

The United States is scheduled to have a small force of cruise missiles by 1982 and thousands by 1984.

President Carter last ordered a speed-up in development of the cruise weapon when he cancelled a separate programme for the B-1, a new intercontinental manned bomber.

Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said two weeks ago that the United States was assessing a new Soviet proposal and would arrange a meeting with Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko when the assessment was completed.

Although only a few major issues are still to be resolved in the talks, work on an actual treaty was not expected before early next year, the sources said.

## U.K. newsmen convicted in Secrets Act argument

LONDON, Nov. 18 (AP) — Two journalists convicted of breaching Britain's strict and controversial Official Secrets Act escaped jail Friday but were ordered to pay heavy legal costs.

Guilty verdicts at London's Old Bailey against Duncan Campbell and John Crispin, Aubrey over an article about electronic eavesdropping by the United States and Britain brought immediate condemnation from the National Union of Journalists.

Science writer Campbell, 24, and reporter Aubrey, 32, were each granted a conditional

discharge for three years by Judge William Mars-Jones. This means if they keep out of trouble for three years they will bear no more about the convictions. But the judge also ordered them together to pay legal costs totalling over 7,200 pounds (\$14,400).

Convicted with them of breaching catch-all Section Two of the 67-year-old act was ex-soldier John Berry. The section makes virtually any knowledge a government official or serviceman gathers in the course of his work at a state secret.

Berry, a 34-year-old former corporal in the army's Royal Corps of Signals, served in a secret army unit called Signal until 1970.

According to prosecution testimony Signal is engaged in "obtaining intelligence from electronic listening."

He was given a six-month jail sentence, suspended for two years. He was also ordered to pay 250 pounds (\$500) in legal costs.

He was found guilty of communicating to Campbell secret information the prosecution said he gleaned while working with Signal. All three pleaded innocent.

The prosecution stemmed from an article Campbell wrote called "The Eavesdroppers" in the leftist weekly magazine "Time Out" in May 1976. The article alleged British and U.S. forces conduct widespread monitoring of the airwaves and named sites in Britain from which such monitoring is organized.

The judge said the information Berry passed on was "state" and of a comparatively low level of intelligence. The government pledged last month to remove the catch-all provisions of Section Two of the act.

## White House entertains Mickey Mouse

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 (AP) — The world's most famous mouse came to the White House and shattered the formality of the East Room Friday as scores of youngsters, including Amy Carter, shouted: M-I-C-K-E-Y M-O-U-S-E.

Approaching the end of a 3,000-mile cross-country railroad trip to commemorate his 50th birthday, Mickey Mouse was thrown a party by the first family, who also invited about 100 handicapped youngsters.

## To fight isolation on 2m-acre reservation

## Legendary Oglala Sioux apply for TV license

PINE RIDGE, South Dakota, Nov. 18 (AP) — The Oglala Sioux, once among the fiercest fighters against the white man's conquest of North America, are now seeking government permission to run their own television station.

Proposed is the first American Indian-owned-and-operated television station, aimed at the residents of the second-largest reservation.

The Tribal Council plans news in the tribe's native tongue, Lakota, and programs like "As Long As The Grass Shall Grow," patterned after a popular children's educational program. It proposes "Unkita Oyate," a series about the

Sioux people. "Last week, we became the first Indian tribe in the United States to apply for a license to operate a television station on an Indian reservation," said Tim Giago Jr., a spokesman for the Oglala Sioux.

"We told the Federal Communications Commission that we had been ignored because of our vast size and our isolation," he said. "And they assured us that we were in the right place at the right time." The Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, some two million

acres of rolling South Dakota prairie between the Badlands National Park and Nebraska, is home to about 14,000 Oglala Sioux.

"Lack of communication is one of the greatest problems on the reservation," Giago said.

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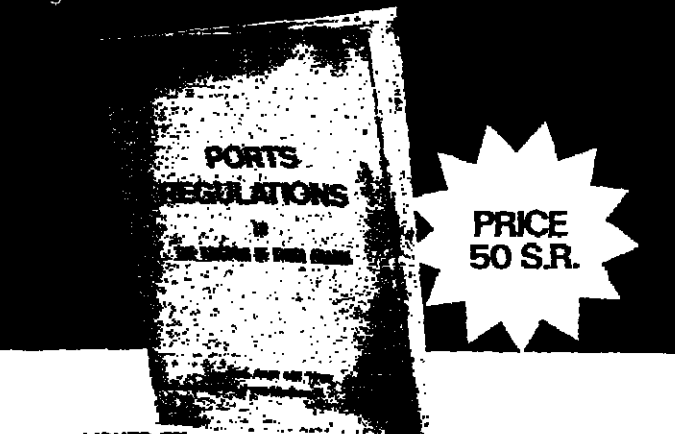
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## Paper alleges plot to kidnap king

## Senior Spanish Army officers arrested

MADRID, Nov. 18 (R) — A crackdown on indiscipline in Spain's armed forces and police has led to the arrest of several senior officers in the past two days.

Those held include a general and a colonel of the paramilitary Civil Guard.

Official sources said Col. Antonio Terero Molina was arrested in Madrid on Thursday with three other officers, believed to be police and army captains, for planning insubordination against the government.

They were unable to confirm or deny a report in the liberal Madrid daily "Diario 16" that they were thinking of kidnapping King Juan Carlos and planned to interrupt a cabinet meeting to state their views to the government.

On the same day, Gen. Juan Atares Pena, civil guard commander in the military region along the Mediterranean, was put under house arrest after a row with the minister of defense, Lieut.-Gen. Manuel Guierrez Mellado.

Sectors of the armed forces police and Civil Guard are understood to be gravely concerned at the escalation of terrorist violence.

There was evidence of milit-

ary disquiet in the meeting which led to the arrest of Atares, in the southeastern town of Cartagena.

He is believed to have called Mellado and other military chiefs "traitors and hypocrites" during a closed-door meeting of about 1,800 officers.

His outburst came after Mellado interrupted a naval officer's long speech on terrorist violence which the defense minister considered more fitting for a parliamentary deputy.

than for a military officer, official sources said.

The extent of unrest in Madrid, highlighted by the arrest of Tejero and other officers, was not fully known.

A senior officer said: "It was a crazy scheme by a few madmen which has been killed stone dead."

An investigation had been opened into the affair but it was unlikely the group had much sympathy or support within the armed forces.

"To bring off an uprising, you have to have support from the rest of the men. These people who are under arrest had neither the prestige, charisma or attractiveness needed to pull it off," the source said.

Tejero has been sanctioned by the authorities twice in the past year—for ordering Civil Guards to break up an authorized demonstration and for publishing an open letter to the king critical of Spain's new democratic constitution.

## Police document refugees

## Malaysia rules today on boat people

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov. 18 (R) — Malaysia is expected to announce its decision Sunday on offers by foreign countries to accept some of the 2,500 Vietnamese stranded off its coast in a rusty freighter.

The secretary-general of the Foreign Ministry, Tan Sri Zakaria Ali, who has postponed a trip to Europe, has called a special meeting. It is expected it will be attended by representatives of France, the United States, Canada, Belgium and West Germany, as well as the United Nations High Commission for Refugees.

The Malaysians Saturday sent to the freighter Hai Hong a 40-strong team of Special Branch police, responsible for

internal security. They are believed to have documented all Vietnamese in the vessel, now lying off Port Klang, about 32 km west of here.

Malaysian readiness to document the Vietnamese gave rise to heightened speculation Saturday that international efforts to find them a home may be successful.

The Special Branch police, two of them women, went aboard the ship in plain clothes wearing red identity arm-bands. They were believed to have spent about five hours aboard. Earlier, two boatloads of para-military troops were seen leaving shore for the ship.

Earlier, the Foreign Ministry said it was waiting to hear from the UNHCR and foreign missions in Kuala Lumpur on further offers to resettle the Vietnamese.

At the same time, a Home Affairs spokesman said the ship would remain offshore while talks continued. It has been lying off Port Klang since Nov. 9.

Malaysia has said consistently the Hai Hong passengers will not be allowed into refugee camps in Malaysia and ordered the ship to leave its territorial waters. It regards the Vietnamese as migrants and not genuine refugees.

"We are working on the promise that all the people on board will have to leave, and that means the ship must go

too," the Foreign Ministry said.

The Malaysians are now making it clear, however, that they will respond to offers by third countries which would take all Vietnamese off their hands. But their insistence that the ship must go poses difficulties if third countries were first to land the Vietnamese in Malaysia and then to fly them out.

The most optimistic estimate of the time it would take the UNHCR to process the Vietnamese for resettlement, even armed with the Malaysian list, is three days.

So far France, the Province of Quebec, Canada, the United States and Belgium have said they would take some Vietnamese, but offers publicly announced fall well short of the total.

## Soviets sentence Swede to 10 years for espionage

MOSCOW, Nov. 18 (AP) — The Soviet Union has convicted a Swedish tourist of spying and sentenced him to 10 years imprisonment, Tass reported Saturday.

Quoting reports in the Latvian newspaper "Tsinys", the agency said he was convicted in the Latvian capital of Riga after "fully admitting his guilt."



PUNKS: Sid Vicious and Nauseating Nancy Spungen in London earlier this year.

## Pleads Tuesday

## Sid Vicious indicted

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (Agencies) — A Manhattan grand jury indicted punk rock star Sid Vicious on murder charges late Friday for the knife slaying of 20-year-old Nancy Spungen Oct. 12.

He was indicted under his

legal name, John Simon Ritchie. He was formally accused of acting under circumstances "showing a depraved indifference to human life."

Miss Spungen's body was found in the bathroom of the couple's room at the Chelsea Hotel in Manhattan. She had been knifed in the abdomen.

Vicious was released on \$50,000 bail, raised by Malcolm McLaren, the manager of the defunct group that raised bass-guitarist vicious to notoriety.

He will appear in the State Supreme Court Tuesday to plead on the indictment.

Vicious will be represented in court by noted criminal lawyer F. Lee Bailey. If convicted, he could receive a minimum of 15 years in prison.

Vicious has told friends that he did not kill her.

## Lawyers took arms to jailed terrorists, Stuttgart court hears

STUTTGART, Nov. 18 (AP) — An accused Baader-Meinhof terrorist has testified under oath radical attorneys smuggled pistols and explosives to imprisoned clients later found fatally shot in their cells.

The surprise testimony Friday of Volker Speitel, on trial on terrorist charges, supported claims by West German authorities that the deaths last October in Stammheim Prison of terrorist leaders Andreas Baader, Jan-Karl Raspe and Gudrun Ensslin were suicides.

Leftist sympathizers throughout Western Europe claimed the three had been murdered by the authorities.

Speitel told the court that attorneys Arnd Mueller and Armin Newerla smuggled weapons, explosives and other material into Stammheim in briefcases and underwear. Both attorneys, partners of radical lawyer Klaus Croissant, are in custody awaiting trial on terrorist charges.

As a law clerk, he had organized a clandestine mail system between imprisoned terrorists and gang members on the outside. He also told the court he helped prepare some of the smuggled items, which he assumed would be used in an escape.

He claimed the attorneys were not told what they were smuggling.

## Brigades shoot court architect

TURIN, Nov. 18 (R) — The architect who designed the escape-proof court room where Red Brigades leaders were tried was off the danger list Saturday after being shot and seriously wounded by terrorists.

Hospital officials said Mario de Orsola, who was hit with four bullets when gunmen burst into his office Friday, was recovering satisfactorily after an operation.

Speitel and co-defendant Hans-Joachim Dellwo, both 28, have renounced their membership in the Red Army Faction.

The RAF is believed responsible for last year's slayings of chief Federal Prosecutor Siegfried Buback, banker Juergen Ponto and industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer.

The three were found dead hours after West German commandos foiled a hijacking in Somalia staged to reinforce demands by the kidnapers of industrialist Schleyer for the release of imprisoned terrorists.

Schleyer was found shot dead a day later in a car in Mulhausen, France.

## Western draft gathers strength at UNESCO

PARIS, Nov. 18 (AP) — In a crucial test vote at UNESCO, Western nations gained important support among developing nations Saturday for a compromise draft declaration on the mass media.

UNESCO's Committee on Culture and Communication voted 55-40 with 16 abstentions against a Soviet-backed proposal to open formal debate on the draft declaration issue on Saturday as scheduled.

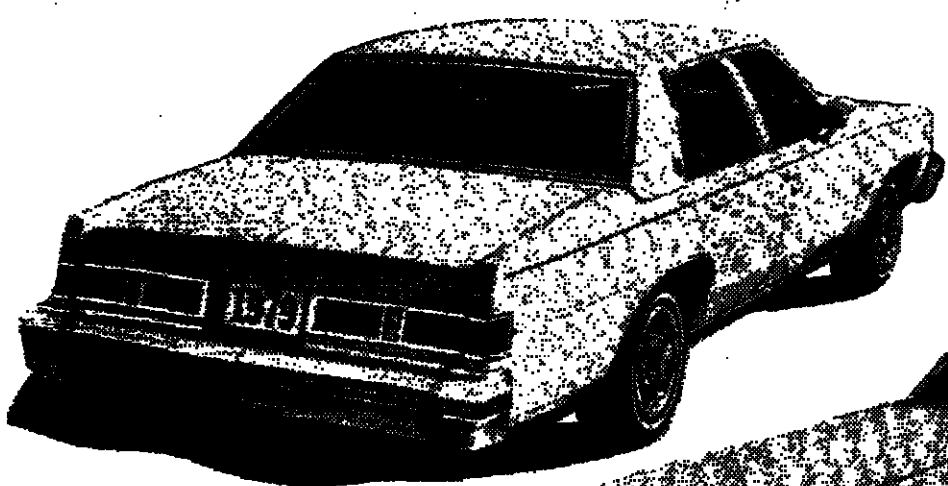
On Friday night, the formal debate was postponed until next Wednesday after a pivotal negotiating team organized by UNESCO director-general Amadou Hamba M'Bow patched together a fragile agreement on a compromise draft declaration. A U.S. delegate said afterwards he felt the vote would help solidify support for the compromise draft declaration.

A formal text of the compromise is to be circulated among UNESCO's 146 member nations late Saturday.

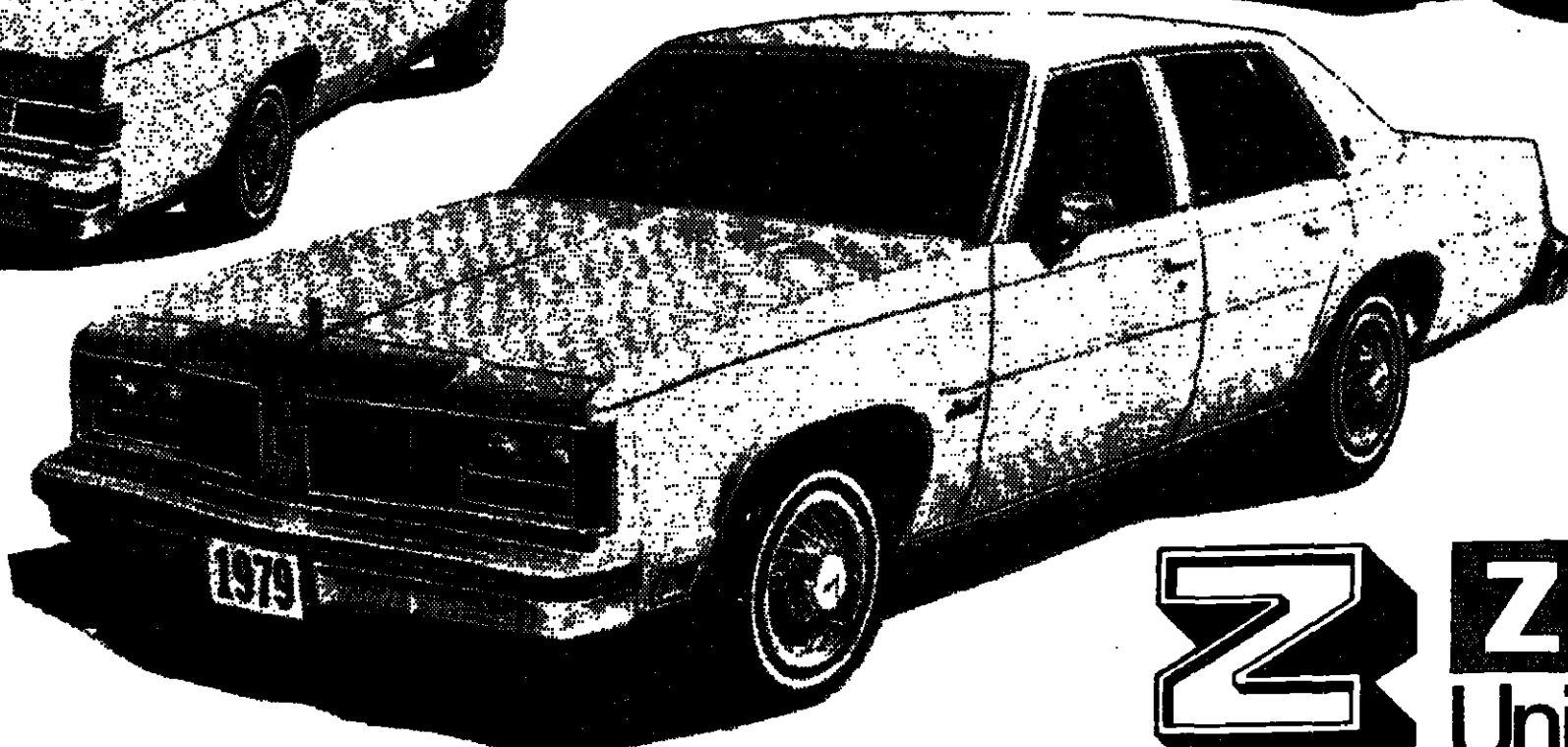
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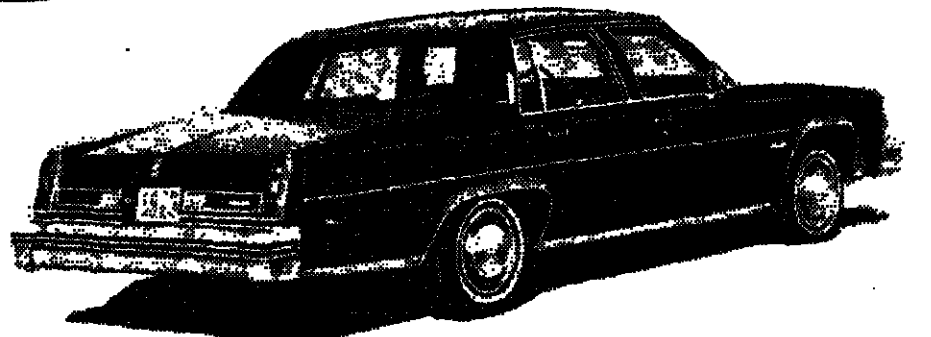
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## Another U.S. depression?

By R. Gregory Nokes

WASHINGTON—

While some Carter administration officials have been busy trying to refute predictions of a recession next year, the newest member of the president's economic team is raising the possibility of a worse danger: a depression.

The only depression in the U.S. this century was in the 1930s when one-fourth of the nation's labor force was without work. It had such a terrible impact on the lives of most Americans that it is remembered not just as a depression, but as the Great Depression.

The majority of Americans today were not even born when the Depression occurred; it is something they have heard about and learned to fear from textbooks and from relatives who suffered through it.

It's such a serious and emotional prospect that the threat of a depression presumably would not be raised in idle speculation by the government.

So there were some private expressions of surprise and dismay when Carter's new inflation adviser, Alfred Kahn, said Wednesday the U.S. will face a "deep, deep depression" if the new anti-inflation program doesn't work and inflation continues unchecked.

Although more ambiguous in his response, Carter himself seemed to take the same basic position when asked Thursday about Kahn's depression talk. Carter said failure of his inflation and dollar-support programs would raise the threat of "a recession or even a depression."

But he added, "I intend to

hold my course; I meant and do mean business."

Two other key officials dismissed suggestions of a depression as unfounded, even if the Carter program fails. "I'm not that pessimistic," G. William Miller, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, said Thursday. "If this plan doesn't work, we'll have another plan."

Asked what other plan he had in mind, Miller declined to speculate. "This plan is going to work," he said.

And Lyle Gramley, a member of Carter's Council of Economic Advisers, said, "The idea that we're going to have a depression of the kind we had in the 1930s seems to me to be preposterous."

Gramley said the 1930s experience is the only reference he has for defining a depression, since there is no precise definition for one.

The World Book encyclopedia defines a depression as "a condition in economic life in which a great many men have no work, machines stand idle and the general level of economic activity is low, or depressed."

A recession is more precisely defined as being two consecutive quarters, or six months, in which the economy not only does not grow, but contracts. The most recent recession, and the worst economic slow-down since the depression itself, was in 1974-1975, when the U.S. economy declined by 2.7 per cent.

One government economist quipped that the difference between a recession and a depression can be defined as follows: "When you are out of a job, it's a recession; when I'm out of a job, it's a depression." (AP)

## Letter to the editor

Dear Sir,

I arrived in Saudi Arabia 36 days ago, my previous impressions of the country and its people having been formed from books such as Lawrence's "Seven Pillars of Wisdom," Thesiger's "Arabian Sands" and Burton, Doughty, Philby and Thomas.

But I should like to recount just three of my experiences: My return flight from Damman to Jeddah was canceled and the next person in the queue at the airport helped the airline official explain the delay, since I speak no Arabic yet. This young man turned out to be a university student and within minutes he had suggested that I might like to pass the time at the university rather than wait at the airport. He insisted that we have a swim at its pool and he would not let me pay for the costume bought for me.

I buy stamps from two boys outside the Central Post Office in Jeddah. Four days ago I lost a pair of sunglasses. Using sign language, I managed to explain the following day to them that I thought that I may have left them when I bought the stamps. To my surprise and delight they told me that they had found them, taken them home but would return them to me the following day. Sure enough they gave them to me and would accept no reward.

Some 12 months ago whilst returning from Athens to London, I happened to sit next to a Saudi gentleman traveling to England for the first time. It was no effort on my part to accompany him and his wife safely to their hotel when we arrived in London.

Of course he said that I should contact him should I ever visit Jeddah and we exchanged addresses. At that time I little thought that I would ever visit Saudi Arabia let alone Jeddah and having received a letter of thanks from him when he returned home I admit the incident passed from my mind. I'm sure he was as surprised as I was about my being in Jeddah but he has been kind enough to invite me to dinner at his house and offered even to loan me his car.

While I admit the environment still seems alien, I am sure that with a little effort on the part of those foreign people working here they can find some of the same kindnesses if they only make the effort.

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## Doubtful dollar moves

By Nicholas Von Hoffman

WASHINGTON—

After the administration's anti-inflation plan was greeted with scoffing and skeptical ridicule, something like panic must have hit the White House. Plan Number Two, the one which is to save the dollar from foreign ignominy, cannot have been cooked up by calm and intrepidly rational statesmen.

The fact that the U.S. stock market heard the news of our latest save-the-dollar expedition and took a record-making bound upward is no reason for thinking the plan makes sense. Day-to-day market fluctuations are inscrutably unintelligible; any administration which uses an uptick in the market as a validation of its policies is going to be sorry if those such a quixotic standard of approval.

The way the news was presented makes President Carter a hero, as if supporting the dollar were an act of patriotism like supporting the flag. We should all support the flag but the dollar is money and that's business, not red, white and blue rah-rah. If the announcement of this mistaken rescue attempt is to be treated like a brave cavalry charge into the guns of international finance, let it also be recognized that it's the Charge of the Light Brigade and we're going to lose the \$30 billion committed to it.

In the past, a number of nations have sought to prop up the price of their currency and it has never worked. In the long run, the price of the dollar as expressed in yen, deutsche marks or francs is a businessman's best judgment of what each of those currencies will buy. In the short run a cur-

rency may be undervalued but the administration's contention that the American dollar has been undervalued for months and months strains reasonable belief. If dollars were really worth more than people are willing to pay for them in other currencies, someone besides Secretary of the Treasury Blumenthal would understand that this is an exemplary chance to buy dollars cheap, convert them into merchandise to sell abroad and make a killing.

This isn't the first time the administration has announced it would spend money to drive up the dollar's price abroad. It did the same thing to no effect except to lose \$5 billion some months ago. Now it proposes to spend \$30 billion on the supposition that the first attempt to save the dollar failed because we didn't lose enough billions. Reasoning like this turns the mind to fudge.

In order to support the dollar, our government is obliged to borrow that 30 billion from Japan and Germany in marks and yen with which to go into the money market to bid up the buck. Ultimately that money, with interest we can safely presume, will have to be repaid, at which time our balance of payments, already a subject of White House gloom, will look worse than ever. And irony of ironies, they tell us one of the reasons for propping up the dollar is to balance the money inflow with money outflow to foreign nations.

As battling is the administration's contention it must push up the dollar to make foreign imports cheaper in the United States. The government asserts that when the prices of foreign

goods go up, American domestic manufacturers raise their prices accordingly. If that's true, it means the free market competitive system has developed some serious hitches and hiccups. The answer to that, however, isn't to waste our money speculating in the foreign currency market but in restoring effective price competition here at home.

In a tangential act, having little to do with anything, the government also announced it would be stepping up the volume of its gold sales. Very dramatic but of no great importance. It's nice if the government wants to sell gold, aluminum or chicken guano and make some money but it isn't going to have any solid effect on inflation and the weakness of the dollar.

Some of the things the administration came through with should be helpful. Certainly the decision to cut back on the rate of printing money is of first importance, but why was the decision taken so late? For months and months the administration has been warning its monetary policies were bordering on the reckless. A gentle gearing down on money creation should have been going on for the past year so that we can avoid sucking money out of the system so rapidly we pitch the country into hard times.

What would really be reassuring would be an announcement by the U.S. Treasury that you can't have a sound dollar abroad unless you have a sound dollar at home. (KFS)

By Marcus Eliason

TEL AVIV—

When U.S. President Carter announced his recent anti-inflation measures, many Israelis responded with the old Jewish saying, "May his worst troubles be ours."

They have good reason to envy America. Israeli inflation is approaching 50 percent for 1978. It has averaged 38 percent a year since 1974, and some economists gloomily predict 80 percent in 1979.

Prices go up weekly, sometimes daily, and double every two years. A backgammon set that cost 11 pounds in 1971 now costs 150 pounds.

The value of the Israeli pound drops constantly. Dependent on the sliding dollar and the strengthening European currencies, it has fallen from 21 cents in 1974 to a little over five cents today, and may be at three cents one year from now.

The inflation rate has been high for a long time, but even Treasury officials were stunned when official figures showed a 5.7 percent jump in living costs in October alone. Treasury director Amiram Sivan admitted his surprise, saying it could have "a shocking psychological effect."

How do Israelis survive? More comfortably than one would imagine, thanks to a system which in itself perpetuates inflation.

Under the government's wage agreement with the labor

unions, all salaried employees receive twice-yearly increases calculated at 70 percent of the rise in cost of living.

"No Israeli ever knows what his next pay check will look like," says Joseph Morgenstern, an investment consultant.

Income tax can range from 20 to 45 percent of wages. It depends on which tax bracket the salary has been pushed into by ever-climbing inflation.

The government-sponsored savings schemes offer a good hedge against inflation. A saver can bank his money linked to the dollar and the cost of living index and retrieve it a year later with 12 percent interest plus the inflation rate.

One elderly woman almost fainted when her bank manager told her that 20,000 pounds she had salted away in 1970 had grown to 250,000 pounds.

This linkage, along with military expenditure, is the cause of the inflation. Even government officials concede that it will not change unless severe recession measures and heavy unemployment are introduced. And that, to a country whose people already play high taxes and give their best years to military service, is unthinkable.

"We hoped to bring inflation down to 15 percent in the 1980s," said Treasury spokesman David Bar-Haim. "But now, with the Camp David accords, Israel's troop withdrawal and redeployment will

wipe out whatever gains make." The withdrawal, by Israeli estimate, will cost 1 billion dollars.

A decade ago Israel's big banknote was 50 pounds. Now a 1,000-pound note is designed, while bronze coins are being phased out for alloy lightweight.

Demand constantly outstrips supply of luxury goods, shopkeepers cash in on inflation mentality by constantly upping prices.

Pre-printed prices on packages are unheard of. Americans refuse to quote prices because by the time the currencies from abroad, two months after it is ordered, its prices have gone up sharply.

The dollar is replacing the pound as the practical currency in fields like apartments, hotel meals and line tickets.

Landlords often link rents to the dollar. Installment payments are unpopular because they add 40 percent to the price of an item.

Inflation as a way of leads to statistical absurdities like the recent income survey that found the average family spending 58 percent more a month than it did after taxes.

The probable reason for anomaly is that Israelis have become so used to juggled complex figures and currencies that tax-dodging has become second nature to them. (AP)

## U.S. bargains for foreigners

By Art Pine

WASHINGTON—

With the dollar's value near an all-time low, American property and businesses are a bargain—and foreigners are queuing up to get in on the action.

Last year, foreign direct investment in the U.S.—transactions which overseas investors own 10 per cent or more of the operation—soared to a record \$34.1 billion, up 11 per cent from 1976. And the total is climbing again this year.

Over the past 44 years, foreign investment in U.S. businesses and real estate has nearly doubled, rising an average \$3.4 billion a year from \$20.6 billion in 1973. That doesn't include an estimated \$53.1 billion in foreign holdings of U.S. securities.

The shift has provoked mixed reactions. Would-be property sellers here are smiling, but there is fear about too much cropland falling into foreign hands and apprehension that the Arabs will gain a stranglehold on American arms production.

Actually, less than one per cent of all foreign direct investment has come from the oil-producing nations whose major income source is paid for in dollars. The bulk—67 per cent—has poured in from Europe. Canada has accounted for 18 per cent, and Japan 5 per cent.

For years, the money had been flowing the other way. Big U.S. multinational corporations, anxious to expand to European and Asian markets, built huge plants overseas—exporting American products, and jobs. About all that came back here was some modest foreign investment in American Corporate stocks.

Congress, responding to farmers' fears that foreigners will "take over" American wheat and corn supplies, this year passed legislation requiring overseas buyers to report their purchases of U.S. farm land to the Agriculture Department.

Some critics have called for a crackdown on bank sales. Federal Reserve Board Chair-

man G. William Miller testified last summer there were 122 foreign banks operating in the United States, with assets totaling \$90 billion. (By contrast, total U.S. bank assets are about \$1.2 trillion.)

The boom stems from a series of factors:

—The past year's dramatic slide in the dollar has made U.S. investments a bargain for European and Japanese buyers. With the exchange rate so favorable to foreigners, it's often cheaper to buy businesses or property in the United States, and inflation guarantees a high return later on.

—With the deteriorated dollar making foreign imports so much more expensive here, many overseas manufacturers now find it cheaper to build plants here rather than export to serve the still-robust U.S. market. Volkswagen just opened a new assembly plant in New Stanton, Pennsylvania.

The political climate in Europe and takeover threats by separatists in Quebec have made many foreign investors eager to turn to the United States as a refuge.

—Some foreign corporations want to get a foothold in the United States as a hedge against the possibility that the U.S. may take protectionist measures in coming years to keep imports out. With plants here, these firms could sell as American companies.

The surge of investment has come primarily in a few major sectors of the economy. About 40 per cent of last year's total was in manufacturing. Another 21 per cent was in trade, 19 per cent in petroleum and 1 per cent in insurance. The rest was scattered.

Moreover, analysts say the \$34.1 billion total probably understates the full amount of U.S. assets controlled by foreigners. For one thing, some investments simply are missed by data-collectors. For another, many such purchases are financed here as well, and not counted.

In general, the big influx of foreign investment has been welcomed by Americans. In-

deed, more than two dozen states and cities maintain offices in Europe and Japan solely to attract foreign business. And U.S. unions work closely with investors. The purchases mean new jobs here.

But the inflow has raised hackles in two areas—banking and agriculture—where Americans seem to be sensitive about the prospect of foreign ownership. The entry of West German firm into farming in Ohio last spring drew outcry from local farmers about "selling out" U.S. grain.

In truth, such fears appear to be overdone. A U.S. General Accounting Office survey of 25 countries in five farming states last summer showed that foreigners owned 0.3 per cent of the total farmland in these areas, with little hard evidence that it's about to rise.

Economists point out the total direct investment here by foreigners is still dwarfed by the enormous holdings of U.S. multinational corporations abroad. In 1977, U.S. direct investment in other countries reached \$148 billion—more than 10 times foreign investment here.

Most foreign investors take pains to keep a low profile here. Those who have been tracking recent acquisitions say foreign owners rarely make sweeping changes when they take over a U.S. firm. Many even continue to retain U.S. management to run the company.

Those foreign corporations that build U.S. subsidiaries often end up Americanizing their operations here in spite of themselves. Volkswagen, for example, got a rude awakening last month when newly-hired New Stanton workers staged a mini-strike to demand full U.S. wages.

As historians are fond of pointing out, the United States always has welcomed—and even depended upon—foreign investment. It was British money that financed the early ventures of the U.S. oil and cattle industries. (WP)

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it bore the brunt of defending the world economy.

"At the same time, the country has always advocated that the industrialized states should also shoulder their responsibility towards the developing states," the paper said.

"This calls for stabilization of international currencies and the reform of the international economic system."

"Okan" commented on the possibility of opening the Jordanian front to the Palestinian resistance, "now that Israel has blatantly refused to withdraw from the occupied Arab lands and concede the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people."

The Jordanian front will afford the resistance 380 kilometers of border with the occupied West Bank which will enable it to boost the struggle of the inhabitants and compel Israel to accede to the will of the people and recognize the rights of the Palestinians.

"The presence of the resistance in Jordan will open the way for the revival of the Eastern Front which will have a direct and realistic effect on the course of the Arab-Israeli conflict."

"The return of the resistance to Jordan and the formation of the Eastern Front are bound to reaffirm the ability of the Arabs to take a course of action that leads to the realization of

their rights."

Commenting on the same issue, "Al-Bilad" said the importance of a Jordanian-Palestinian rapprochement cannot be over-estimated "since this is a basic factor in containing Arab differences."

"These differences had been responsible in the past for the limited nature of effective Arab action." The paper couched the Jordanian-Palestinian detente with the Syrian-Iraqi alliance, and the Iraqi-Palestinian agreement to patch up differences, calling them positive and crucial developments.

"Al-Bilad" discussed the implications of the visit to Moscow of Ethiopian strongman Mengistu Haile Mariam. It said: "While at one time Moscow tried to overthrow Mengistu and install the chief of the Ethiopian Communist party as head of a civilian regime, it has changed its mind for the time being, to perpetuate its presence in that country by making Mengistu believe that it can solve his internal problems and fulfill his needs. This may take the form of increased military aid for a large-scale offensive in Eritrea to restore Mengistu's confidence in the Soviet Union. This comes at a time of Soviet attempts to exploit the troubles in Iran as a way to infiltrate the region."

مكتبة الصحافة





The Plain of Arafat during last week's gathering of pilgrims

## Pilgrimage to Mecca

## Humility, surrender reminders of the Hajj

By Mahmud Umar Abdallah

MECCA — The day before the standing at Arafat, all types of cars, trucks, taxis and buses were heading eastward from the Sacred Mosque here to Mina, the camping area and starting point for the pilgrims performing the Hajj. From the downtown area around the Holy Mosque, it seemed as if the entire city of Mecca was moving to another location.

To a visitor who had no knowledge of the history and procedures of Hajj, this mass exodus could give a false impression. The momentum of over a million pilgrims with their baggage walking and riding in the same direction produces a very visual and emotional picture of flight, but flight with a definite direction. Our uninformed visitor would certainly have to ask, "Where are those people going?" The reply, "To the waqfah at Arafat."

## Wear and strain

The day before the standing at Arafat, the wear and strain of extensive travel under uncomfortable conditions is very apparent on the faces of the

pilgrims: pilgrims who had come from Yugoslavia, Tunisia, Syria, Algeria, Ghana, Malaysia, Turkey, India, the Philippines, Gambia and many other countries around the world, traveling thousands of miles by ship, airplane, train, car and bus to reach the Holy City of Mecca.

On the morning of the 8th of Dhul-Hijjah, it seemed as if a tremendous electrical charge was surging through the minds and bodies of almost two million pilgrims as they moved toward the site of Mina. Tired bodies were springing back to life, seemingly being pulled by some unseen force to an important event in the near future.

Every size, shape, make and model of car, taxi, truck and bus could be seen on the road. The speed of the traffic alternated from slow to slower to stopped. And there in Mina, in the brilliance of the noonday sun, hundreds of thousands of pilgrims were now joining hundreds of thousands of other pilgrims, who were already camped at Mina.

## "Labbayka!"

Two million sincere human



Imam Muhammad of Baltimore, Maryland

voices were continuously crying out, "Labbayka! Allahumma Labbayka! Labbayka! La Sharika Laka Labbayka! Innalhamda wal n'mata laka wal mulk, La Sharika laka!" Which means, "Here I come O Lord! Here I come! You have no partner, Praise and Grace be Yours and authority undivided."

On the morning of the 9th of Dhul-Hijjah, after the morning prayer, the multitude of pilgrims proceeded to Muzdalifah, then to Mount Arafat for the realization of an important religious obligation: the standing at Arafat.

Nothing could be more effectively penetrating to the human soul than to stand at Mount Rahmah in Arafat among the two million pilgrims all wrapped in the identical white thurams: Muslimes from all over the world, representing the different races and nationalities; the rich and the poor, together lifting up their hands in prayer and thanksgiving, repeating the Prophet's words: "There is no god but God, He has no partner. His are authority and praise. Good emanates from Him and He has power over all things."

## Surrender

To be present among this large multitude filled with such devotion brings a person to such a degree of humility that it produces a feeling of almost being mentally shattered, thus allowing complete surrender to God.

After the standing at Arafat, the return to Muzdalifah certainly has an air of triumph for the pilgrims. The feeling of triumph can be experienced as one walks among the hundreds of thousands of pilgrims. It can be seen in their stride and heard in their voices, "Labbayka! Allahumma Labbayka!" The efforts of the sick and the weak, walking and struggling, some actually in pain, driven on only by the reality that this is the Hajj.

The night is spent at Muzdalifah with a sense of accomplishment over the day's activities and also in anticipation of the events at Mina that unfold on the next day.

On the morning of the 10th of Dhul-Hijjah, the spreading waves of pilgrims proceed back to Mina to stone the three

Jamarat. Imagine the emotional release and excitement that comes to a dramatic climax when two million pilgrims start the stoning of the Jamarat. This is the relieving of the pilgrims' distresses, the symbolic stoning of Satan. Looking from the boulevard where the pilgrims stone the Jamarat, one could only see approaching pilgrims for as far as the eye could look.

## Sacrifice

Then the pilgrims proceed to make their sacrificial offerings. This year Eid Al-Adha, or festival of sacrifice, was called Eid "Akbar", since the day was the same day as Salat al-Juma.

A kind victory was stirring in the hearts of the pilgrims on this evening in Mina, as the sacrificial offerings were cooked and shared with neighboring pilgrims. "O Lord God we are thankful for this meal."

In the remaining days of Hajj, the pilgrims finish their duties preparing to visit the Prophet's Masjid in the Holy City of Medina.

One pilgrim, Imam Muhammad from Baltimore, Maryland said, "I came to Hajj looking for constructive signs for the better governing of society. I see here signs for the physical and spiritual improvement of man."

"If one is not in good physical condition, he will suffer difficulties during the Hajj," he said. "The Prophet Muhammad said, 'Keeping in shape is necessary for the individual, so that he has the self-control during the tawaf and the walk to Muzdalifah and to Mount Arafat.'"

## Aftermath

On the night of the 14th of Dhul-Hijjah, Mina was completely empty, the Hajjis were gone. It resembled a site on the moon with the small network of bridges and highway sitting in the midst of the mountains. Standing at the top of the long ramp leading to the three Jamarat looking out into the still night, Mina looked like a deserted city. Until the next Hajj Mina resta, but somehow the voices crying, "Labbayka! Allahumma Labbayka!" can still be heard for two million Hajjis.

## Egypt moves into the auto age

By Thomas W. Lippman

HELWAN, Egypt — Egypt is rolling into the auto age, mostly in cars built here in a sprawling factory that has become one of the biggest industrial enterprises in the Arab world.

The private automobile, always the prerogative of foreigners and a few rich Egyptians, has become the new status symbol of a consumer society. With the country's economic climate transformed since the 1973 war, more and more Egyptians are finding the money to buy one of the basic Fiat rolling off the assembly line here, and a major expansion of the plant's capacity is one of the country's industrial priorities.

"We can't cope with the demand," said Adel Gazarin, chairman of the state-owned Nasr Automotive Co., which operates the factory. "After 1973 there was a sudden change in the market pattern. More people can afford cars and we've had a big lag in production."

## Upward mobility

On the traffic-choked streets of Cairo and Alexandria, where the noise is deafening and the pollution stifling as untrained drivers lean on their horns and compete for space, it seems as if the last thing Egypt needs is more cars on the roads.

But Egyptians who have cashed in on the tourist boom or have brought home foreign currency from jobs in the oil states (or who are lucky enough

to own apartments they can rent out at skyrocketing prices) are suddenly snapping up commodities that they could not afford or were not available in the Nasser years. At the top of every family's list is the new car — status, mobility, and freedom from dependence on the appalling public transport.

Egypt, a country of 40 million people, has fewer than half a million private cars on the roads. Spain, a country of similar population, has about 5 million. The U.S. has one car for every two people, or about 110 million.

The auto and truck plant here employs 11,000 workers and production is scheduled to be nearly tripled next year. A new plant, turning out Volkswagens under license from the German firm, is scheduled to be built in Alexandria.

On the roster of the world's auto makers, the Nasr corporation hardly rates a mention. It is currently turning out between 12,000 and 15,000 cars a year, using mostly imported components. But in the Egyptian context, it is an industrial giant and a keystone of the country's fragile economy.

## Growing importance

According to Gazarin, 120 Egyptian manufacturers supply parts and equipment to the Nasr plant. For many it is the only customer and the auto industry's relative weight in the economy is growing rapidly.

Under an agreement with Fiat of Italy, he said, output

is to rise to 40,000 cars a year, and the percentage of locally-made components is to increase. That in turn will require the government to encourage auto purchases and make new investments in highway and parking facilities. Already the first elevated motorway is being cut through downtown Cairo.

The Nasr Co., founded in 1960, makes tractors, buses and trucks as well as cars. Most parts of the trucks and buses are made in Egypt, including a six-cylinder diesel engine, tires, crankshafts, batteries, window glass and rear axles.

But the limited productive capacity of Egyptian industry has failed to keep up with the demand for buses and trucks as well as cars. The Egyptian army snaps up most of the trucks and the plant's capacity of 600 buses a year cannot meet the demands of Cairo alone, which is buying buses abroad a thousand at a time.

Saleh Abdul Fattah, manager of the trucks and bus assembly plant, said he could increase his output by working extra shifts, but his Egyptian suppliers cannot deliver the components he needs.

The first choice for an Egyptian car buyer is a European model such as a Mercedes or Volvo. But import duties ranging upward from 100 percent put those cars beyond the reach of all but a few.

## A fair price

That leaves the local product — four models, two built

under license from Fiat of Italy, one under license from Fiat of Poland, and one under license from Fiat's Spanish partner, Seat.

Prices are reasonable, the cheapest model, a two-door Seat 133, is listed at 1,950 Egyptian pounds (or \$2,800). For the most popular model, a four-door Fiat 128, the price is 2,960 Egyptian pounds or about \$4,250.

But for most Egyptians there is a catch: if they wish to pay in Egyptian pounds, there is a three year wait. Only by paying in dollars or some other international currency can they get immediate delivery. That is because the company receives no hard currency allocation from the government's scanty holdings to use for buying the imported components, so it must earn its own.

## Export Iraq

For the same reason, Egypt exports 5,000 cars a year — more than a third of its output — to Iraq, which pays for them in dollars. Those exports lengthen the waiting list here, but Gazarin says each car purchased in hard currency finances 40 percent of a car to be sold in Egyptian pounds.

He estimates that 20 to 25 percent of the overall value of each Egyptian-built car consists of parts made in Egypt. The rest must be imported. Only the Polish Fiat has an Egyptian-made engine block. — (WP)

## New Lord Mayor for London

By Nigel Harvey

London Bureau

LONDON — Enthusiastic crowds of nearly half a million Londoners converged on the City of London last week to watch the flamboyant Lord Mayor procession.

The procession is a tradition that goes back to 1190 and it marks the election of a new Lord Mayor for the tiny, square-mile City.

Alderman Sir Kenneth Cork GBE is the 651st Lord Mayor and led the procession, now an annual event. In medieval times, the position was held for many years, sometimes for life.

Sir Kenneth is one of the City's leading chartered accountants and a liquidation specialist. As a receiver he's been responsible for a number of large bankrupt groups, but he's established a reputation for trying to keep firms alive and protect jobs and invested money.

His procession Nov. 13 was around 45 minutes long as it passed any given point on its three-kilometer route from Guildhall, around the City, up Fleet street, and along the Embankment to the Lord Mayor's residence, Mansion House.

Over thirty floats, representing various companies, banks as well as some of the ancient Livery Companies of the City took part in the procession.

Some years before England's King John signed the Magna Carta, he granted Londoners the right to elect a Lord Mayor through alderman representatives with the condition that the new candidate should first be presented to the king.

As the king was often away at the time, the inspection duty was passed on to his Lord Chancellor — the head of the House of Lords.

The 25 eldersmen who choose the Lord Mayor are elected by the few residents who now live and pay taxes in the tiny area of London known as the City.

Today, the Lord Mayor serves an ambassadorial post for the Foreign Office, for he is the official host for visiting foreign dignitaries who arrive in London. The Lord Mayor has received such guests as President Anwar Sadat of Egypt in the past.



Sir Kenneth Cork, Lord Mayor of London

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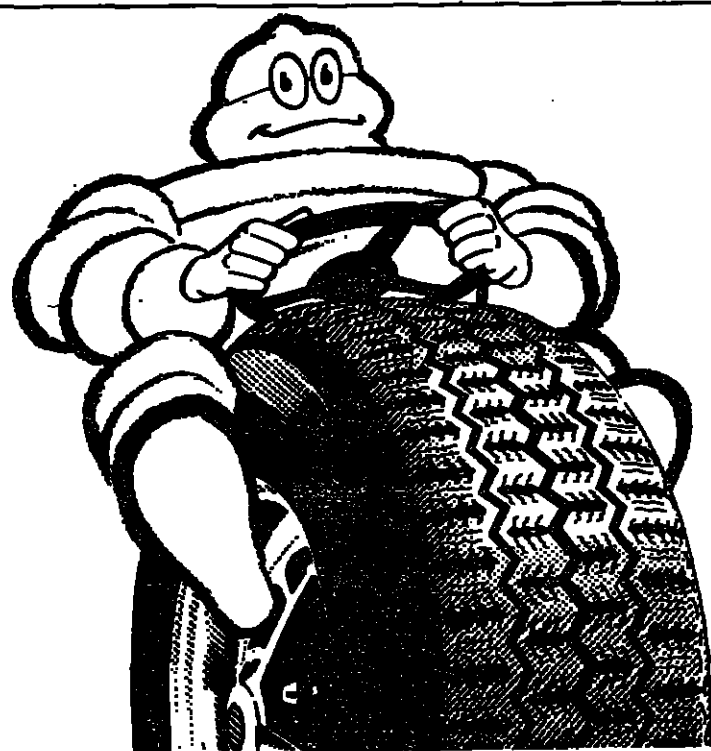
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## ILO to probe treatment of detained Tunisians

GENEVA, Nov. 18 (R) — The International Labor Organization (ILO) said Saturday it had decided to continue investigations into the Tunisian government's action against trade union leaders sentenced after a striking last January.

The ILO's freedom of association committee, a watchdog body monitoring abuses of trade union rights, had recommended asking the government to supply information by next Jan. 15 on allegations that some trade union leaders were ill-treated in detention.

The proposals were approved by the ILO's governing body (executive council) on the final day of a one-week session

which ended last night.

The International Metalworkers' Federation had complained to the ILO that the general secretary of its Tunisian affiliate, Ismail Sahbani, was among those tortured.

The IMF said Sahbani was arrested on the night of Jan. 27-28 in a police raid on strike headquarters, and said most of the unionists were held for two months and 17 days without being able to wash or see daylight.

The government told the committee the state of health of trade union defendants during subsequent trials showed that during their detention and interrogation they were treated normally.



DECORATED: Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez congratulates Sheikh Ali Khalifa al Sabah after decorating him with the Order of the Liberator. Venezuelan Energy Minister Valentin Hernandez Acosta (second from right) and an interpreter (left) look on. The Kuwaiti minister disclosed plans for an adjustment in oil price in 1979 to compensate for world inflation and any slide in the U.S. dollar. (Wirephoto)

## Passengers queue at Heathrow

LONDON, Nov. 18 (R) — Long-distance passengers arriving at London's Heathrow airport Saturday faced long delays because of a continuing work to rule by customs officers.

Some 90 men at the international terminal building began industrial action last Tuesday in protest that they were understaffed and unable to cope with the ever increasing flow of passengers.

International travelers with goods to declare Saturday found themselves facing delays of more than two hours and queues nearly 300 deep.

The customs officers claim that extra men were having to man the "red" channel — for passengers with goods to declare — leaving the "green" channel undermanned and wide open to prospective narcotics smugglers.

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

|                       | Cash   | Transfer |
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| Opening Saturday      | 3.36   | 3.36     |
| U.S. Dollar           | 6.65   | 6.53     |
| Pound Sterling        | 177.00 | 174.25   |
| Deutsche Mark (100)   | 200.00 | 193.50   |
| Swiss F (100)         | 77.00  | 76.08    |
| French F (100)        | 4.00   | 3.97     |
| Italian Lira (1000)   | 113.00 | 112.50   |
| Lebanese Lira (100)   | 83.00  | 86.50    |
| Syrian Lira (100)     | 4.70   | 4.82     |
| Egyptian Pound        | 12.30  | 12.25    |
| Kuwaiti Dinar         | 11.30  | 11.35    |
| Jordanian Dinar       | 86.50  | 87.53    |
| Emirate Dirham (100)  | 86.50  | 87.53    |
| Qatari Riyal (100)    | 8.65   | 8.75     |
| Bahraini Dinar        | 46.00  | 47.75    |
| Iranian Riyal (100)   | 10.25  | —        |
| Iraqi Dinar           | 73.00  | 73.50    |
| Yemeni Riyal (100)    | —      | —        |
| South Yemeni Dinar    | 89.00  | 87.25    |
| Moroccan Dirham (100) | —      | 40.65    |
| Indian Rupee (100)    | —      | 34.10    |
| Pakistani Rupee (100) | 21.700 | —        |
| Gold kg               | 2,570  | —        |
| 10 Tolas bar          | 650    | —        |
| Silver kg bar         | —      | —        |

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## Weekly Wall Street

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (AP) — Large companies, like shoppers looking for bargains a month before the New Year rush, are increasingly looking on purchases of their own stock as a good buy.

The list of companies saying in recent days they would purchase blocks of their stock includes conglomerates U.S. Industries and Gulf and Western Industries, and diversified food processor Anderson Clayton.

The offers have come as the stock market has dropped sharply, with the Dow Jones Industrial average off by 68.09 points since the beginning of October and the New York Stock Exchange's composite index of all its listed stocks down by 5.24 points in the same period.

In the past week, the Dow average dropped 9.36 to 797.73. Daily big board volume rose to an average of 24.82 million shares from 21.88 million the previous week, and the NYSE composite index finished at 52.54, down .18. The American

Stock Exchange Market value index fell .01 to 143.39.

There is nothing new in such repurchase plans. International Business Machines, for instance, bought back nearly 5 million shares between February 1977 and July 1978. Its total outlay for the stock, including its expenses, was about \$1.35 billion, or an average of around \$270 a share. IBM now is selling for around 261.

Among buy-up plans announced in the past week:

— Gulf and Western said it would buy 5 million of its shares — just over 10 per cent of its stock — on the open market.

— U.S. Industries offered to buy up 2.5 million of its shares at \$8 apiece — about 9 per cent of the shares outstanding — and said it might buy 500,000 more.

— Anderson, Clayton announced plans to buy back 11 per cent of its outstanding stock — 1.6 million shares — for \$22 each or a total of \$35.2 million.

According to Eldon Grimm of Birr Wilson Inc., "the companies are taking advantage of the drop in the market, of course," to pull in blocks of shares.

"Companies don't like to see their stock drop like this," he said. "They're somewhat proud."

That sentiment was echoed at Western, which said its stock is "undervalued" at its current price of about \$12 a share, down from a high in the past year of \$16.25.

The buy-backs will boost a company's per-share earnings and may boost the remaining stock's market value, simply because there is less stock around.

The purchases also may "put some badly-needed cash in the stock market," Grimm said.

There are other possible reasons behind stock buy-up programs. A company with cash to spare might want to empty its coffers to acquire its stock in order to protect itself from an unfriendly takeover bid.

In addition, a company might be able to profit while raising new capital in the future by buying its stock at a low price now and then by reselling it later if the market turns higher.

## Economic Briefs

● **BRASILIA:** — Brazil devalued the cruzeiro for the 14th time in 1978, changing the exchange rate from 19,540 to the U.S. dollar to 19,950. The new sellers' rate is 20,050. The rates are effective Monday. The new devaluation is 2.093 per cent above the previous rate. The last time the cruzeiro was devalued was Oct. 24. It has been devalued a total of 25.078 per cent in 1978.

● **TOKYO:** — Japan has agreed to provide Madagascar with yen credits totaling 4.5 billion yen (\$25 million) to construct microwave communications facilities, the foreign ministry has announced. The credits will carry an annual interest rate of 3.5 per cent and be repaid in 25 years, including a seven-year grace period, it said.

● **WASHINGTON:** — The U.S. will host a meeting of

the 27-nation Colombo plan for cooperative economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific from Nov. 28 to Dec. 6, the U.S. Agency for International Development has announced. The membership includes 21 developing Asian countries and six donor nations: The U.S., Australia, Canada, Japan, New Zealand and Britain.

● **LISBON:** — Portugal's trade deficit for the first nine months of this year widened to 94.5 billion escudos (\$2.1 billion) from 84.5 billion escudos (\$1.9 billion) in the same period of 1977, the National Institute of Statistics has reported. Portuguese economic analysts, however, said the deficit figures masked signs of a modest upturn. They said the trade gap was widening at a slower rate this year than last year, and that a strong fourth-quarter performance was expected.

## Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

| Authority  | Description  | No. of Tender | Price SR | Closing Date |
|--|--|---------------|----------|--------------|
| * Department of water and Sewage, Medina                               | Temporary asphaltting of roads leading to new wells in Quba                      | 59-98,99      | 150      | Nov. 28      |
| * Ministry of Education  | Construction of a health unit in Dhuba/Tabuk — first stage                       | 15M           | 1000     | Dec. 8       |
| * Directorate General of Education, Eastern Province                   | Providing of English language labs in post-primary schools in Dammam and Al-Hasa | 1             | Free     | Nov. 25      |
| * Department of Water and Sewage, Eastern Province                     | Spare parts for hydraulic dump trucks  | 16K-97,98     | 75       | Dec. 11      |
| * " " "  | Spare parts for water pumps  | 7K-98,99      | 100      | Dec. 11      |
| * Directorate General of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Western Province | Temporary asphaltting of some roads in Raniah                                    | xx            | 100      | Nov. 28      |
| * Municipality of Al-Hasa  | Maintenance of municipality's main building                                      | 5             | 1000     | Dec. 9       |



## SAUDI PORTS AUTHORITY VESSELS MOVEMENTS AT JEDDAH SEAPORT UPTO THE MORNING OF 18TH NOVEMBER 1978

| BERTH | VESSEL              | AGENT     | CARGO                  | ARR. DATE |
|-------|---------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| 1A    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 2     | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 3     | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 4     | PORT OF RIO         | OCE       | REEFER                 | 14/11/78  |
| 5     | GREEN VALLEY (BRGS) | KANOO     | FLOR GEN. STEEL        | 15/11/78  |
| 6     | BLUE ALBACORE       | ORRI      | CONS. MATERIALS        | 17/11/78  |
| 7     | GOLDEN BEAR         | ABDALLAH  | STEEL BARS             | 17/11/78  |
| 8     | NGOMIE CHAU         | ALATAS    | CONSTR. MATS           | 17/11/78  |
| 9     | HELLENIC STAR       | ALPHA     | RIE MAIZE SORGHUM GEN. | 13/11/78  |
| 10    | HELLENIC NAVIGATOR  | ALPHA     | SOYA MEAL FISH MEAL    | 15/11/78  |
| 11    | BUNGAR MANN         | SCSA      | GENERAL                | 17/11/78  |
| 12    | HALLA PARTNER       | ORRI      | LUB. OIL               | 17/11/78  |
| 13    | LUCKY THREE         | ORRI      | BAGGED MAIZE           | 17/11/78  |
| 14    | BLUE MARU           | BAABOUD   | OIL COTTON SEEDS       | 17/11/78  |
| 15    | CHAR AN             | ABDALLAH  | GENERAL                | 17/11/78  |
| 16    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 17    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 18    | LAKMOS              | ROLACO    | BULK CEMENT            | 15/11/78  |
| 19    | GRENA               | ALSAHAB   | BULK CEMENT            | 17/11/78  |
| 20    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 21    | MARE                | BAROON    | BAGGED CEMENT          | 16/11/78  |
| 22/23 | TRANQUILLO          | S.A.M.A.  | ACCOMMODATION SHIP     | —         |
| 35    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 36    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 37    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 38    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 39    | MILA                | STAR NAV. | FRUITS & CHICKENS      | 16/11/78  |
| 40    | —                   | —         | —                      | —         |
| 41    | AL HIAZI            | ALSAHAB   | GENERAL                | 15/11/78  |
| 42    | IBN TUFAIL          | KANOO     | CONTAINERS             | 14/11/78  |
| 43    | LETABA              | MESA      | FRUIT                  | 9/11/78   |
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| BERTH | VESSEL           | AGENT  | CARGO | ARR. DATE |
|-------|------------------|--------|-------|-----------|
| 18    | MERZARIO         | A.E.T. | RO RO | 18/11/78  |
| 19    | HISPANIA         | ALPHA  | RO RO | 18/11/78  |
| 20    | HELENIC EXPLORER | —      | —     | —         |

### Vessels Arrived During Past 24 Hours

| BERTH | VESSEL            | AGENT     | CARGO       | ARR. DATE |
|-------|-------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| 35    | GRENA             | ALSAHAB   | BULK CEMENT | 17/11/78  |
| 36    | CAP LARDIER       | ALPHA     | RO RO       | 17/11/78  |
| 37    | LEON              | M.T.A.    | RO RO       | 17/11/78  |
| 38    | MERZARIO GALLIA   | A.E.T.    | RO RO       | 17/11/78  |
| 39    | BLUE ALBACORE     | ORRI      | GENERAL     | 17/11/78  |
| 40    | MALDIVE NAVIGATOR | ALPHA     | —           | —         |
| 41    | MILA              | STAR NAV. | FRUIT       | 17/11/78  |
| 42    | KETTY             | OCE       | CHICKENS    | 17/11/78  |
| 43    | BUNGAR MANN       | SCSA      | LUB. OIL    | 17/11/78  |
| 44    | BLUE MARU         | BAABOUD   | OIL CAKE    | 17/11/78  |
| 45    | SAUDI PRINCE      | ORRI      | GENERAL     | 17/11/78  |
| 46    | HELENIC EXPLORER  | ALPHA     | RO RO       | 18/11/78  |

### Vessels Expected to Arrive During Next 24 Hours

| BERTH | VESSEL          | AGENT      | CARGO                  | ARR. DATE |
|-------|-----------------|------------|------------------------|-----------|
| 18    | HELENIC         | ALSAHAB    | MODULES & GENERAL      | 18/11/78  |
| 19    | MASTER STEFANOS | BARBER     | STEEL PIPES            | 18/11/78  |
| 20    | ATHANASSIOS S   | OCE        | GENERAL                | 18/11/78  |
| 21    | LUCKY 2         | ORRI       | RICE MAIZE SORGHUM     | 18/11/78  |
| 22    | MISHEREF        | ORRI       | BAGGED CARGO           | 18/11/78  |
| 23    | INVERSHAN       | KANDARA    | SWAN TIMBER            | 18/11/78  |
| 24    | MALDIVE TRUST   | OCEAN TRD. | TIMBER LUB. OIL        | 18/11/78  |
| 25    | RUBEZHNO        | A.E.T.     | GENERAL                | 18/11/78  |
| 26    | ST. SERVAN      | RED SEA    | TO LOAD MTY CONTAINERS | 18/11/78  |

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|-----------------|-----------------------|------------|----------------|--------------|
| 2               | SEATRAN               | ALQURAISHI | CONT./LOADING  | 17/11/78     |
| 3               | AMSTERDAM             | BARBER     | CONTAINERS     | 17/11/78     |
| 4               | CONON FOREST          | ORRI       | GENERAL        | 17/11/78     |
| 5               | ATHINA                | A.E.T.     | GENERAL        | 15/11/78     |
| 6               | ARYA RASTAKHIZ        | ORRI       | GENERAL        | 8/11/78      |
| 7               | MAHAPRIYA             | ORRI       | LOADING URBA   | 8/11/78      |
| 8               | KOTA ABADI            | BARBER     | GEN. CONTAINER | 17/11/78     |
| 9               | TAIMYR                | ALGOSAIBI  | GEN. CONT.     | 16/11/78     |
| 10              | LUKELU                | ALGOSAIBI  | LIME           | 5/11/78      |
| 11              | GLORIA STAR           | —          | —              | —            |
| 12              | CHRYSSO               | —          | —              | —            |
| 13              | VALANDOU TARIA (D.B.) | ORRI       | C. CEMENT      | 16/11/78     |
| 14              | CARICA                | SALTE      | C. CEMENT      | 19/11/78     |
| 15              | WORLD CREST           | ALIREZA    | BULK CEMENT    | 30/9/78      |

### Vessels Working at Anchorage

### Recent Arrivals

| Vessels | Name of the Ship | Agent      | Type of cargo | Arrival Date |
|---------|------------------|------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1       | ASIA BRIGHTNESS  | ORRI       | FOR BUNKERING | 16/11/78     |
| 2       | LUKE LU          | ALGOSAIBI  | GEN. CONT.    | 16/11/78     |
| 3       | CHRYSSOVALAN     | —          | —             | —            |
| 4       | DOUTRIA          | ORRI       | C. CEMENT     | 16/11/78     |
| 5       | LICA MAERSK      | KANOO      | GENERAL       | 16/11/78     |
| 6       | TAIMYR           | BARBER     | RO-RO         | 17/11/78     |
| 7       | CONON FOREST     | BARBER     | CONTAINERS    | 17/11/78     |
| 8       | BRATSLAV         | KANOO      | GENERAL       | 17/11/78     |
| 9       | ATHINA           | ORRI       | GENERAL       | 17/11/78     |
| 10      | SEATRAN          | ALQURAISHI | CONTAINERS    | 17/11/78     |
| 11      | AMSTERDAM        | —          | —             | —            |

### Vessels Expected Within 24 Hours

| Vessels | Name of the Ship | Agent   | Type of cargo | Arrival Date |
|---------|------------------|---------|---------------|--------------|
| 1       | FALCON           | KANOO   | —             | —            |
| 2       | FEAX             | ALSAADA | —             | —            |
| 3       | TAIMYR           | BARBER  | —             | —            |
| 4       | HOSHO MARU       | KANOO   | —             | —            |
| 5       | DONA KATERINA    | SOEASIA | —             | —            |

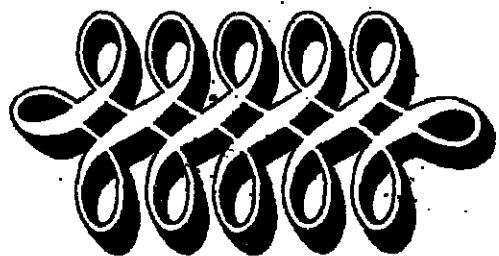
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## Last-minute penalty stretches Liverpool lead to three points

LONDON, Nov. 18 (R) — Phil Neal penalty, scored at the Liverpool copyright stage one minutes from the end beat Manchester City and kept the outgoing European Champion in course to regain its English title Saturday. The goal was disputed and a half-dozen players scuffled on the field.

With its cross-city neighbor Everton sharing four goals with Arsenal in London, Liverpool's ad, as it enters the middle third of the league program as stretched to three points.

West Bromwich and the host, Nottingham Forest, began the day two points behind Everton. But West Bromwich, in a late goal, won at Bolton and so lie only one point off.

Forest survived its 41st league

match in a row without defeat but a goalless home draw with Queen's Park Rangers hardly boosted local hopes that it can retain the title.

**Swung**

Arsenal old boy Trevor Ross put Everton ahead but Ireland's Liam Brady, with two goals in 10 minutes — the first a penalty — swung the match towards the Londoners.

But within a minute Martin Dobson made it 2-2, so preserving the unbeaten record which Everton shares with Forest. Everton has now played seven draws, Forest nine, in their 15 matches.

At the unwanted end of the table, Birmingham City, despite an early Don Givens goal, went down 2-1 at Derby where the home team seemed none

the worse for the absence of manager Tommy Docherty, suspended by his directors after making damaging admissions in a libel action.

Wolverhampton, with a second half goal, drew 1-1 with its visitors, Leeds, and put two points between themselves and its table-propping neighbor, Birmingham.

In the all-London first division battle, Tottenham came from behind to win 3-1 at Chelsea, Colin Lee heading two of their three second half goals. The defeat leaves Chelsea only one point clear of Wolverhampton, two places off the bottom.

**Torment**

The Second Division produced at torrent of 45 goals — with leaders Stoke one of only three teams not to find the net. Stoke crashed in London to lowly Millwall, for whom John Mitchell scored — his first goal for the club — in the second minute and again two minutes after halftime.

John Seaman got the third. Even with this boost, Millwall remains three points below its nearest companions in misfortune.

A draw at West Ham in a London derby boosted Crystal Palace alongside Stoke on 20 points but others in the pursuing group missed a chance to close the gap.

Fulham, for instance, went down 5-3 at Burnley and though Bristol Rovers and Charlton shared 10 goals in a thriller at Bristol both must dearly wish to have nipped a winning goal.

It was a match in which something had to give. Rovers battered the only 100 per cent home record in the league. Charlton countered with far away wins in a row. Even Paul Randall's three goals could not keep the Bristol home run intact. Three other players in the match picked up two goals apiece.



REVENGE: A young fan leaps up to congratulate Frank Stapleton of Arsenal (9) after he had netted his second goal in Arsenal's defeat of Ipswich at Highbury recently. The last time the two teams met was at last year's Football Association Cup final at Wembley when Ipswich won, 1-0.

## Moscow coach rejects charge tiny gymnasts were given dope

MOSCOW, Nov. 18 (R) — A leading Soviet gymnastics trainer has rejected as absurd suggestions that competitors from the Soviet bloc are given "brake" drugs to slow down their physical development.

Lydia Ivanova, senior trainer of the Soviet women's youth team and a former world champion, said she was indignant about stories in the western press alleging drug use by medal winners from Communist countries at the recent world championships in Strasbourg.

Describing the charges as "a deliberate, absurd inven-

tion" she said the use of such drugs by gymnasts was ruled out because any interference with the pituitary gland — which controls growth — might lead to dystaxia a dangerous disturbance of balance.

Girls with small physique were naturally selected for gymnastics, though taller competitors such as Yelena Mukhina and Neli Kim of the Soviet team and Nadia Comaneci of Romania, could also succeed, she said in an interview with Tass, the Soviet news agency.

Mrs. Ivanova said western doubts about 17-year-old Maria Filatova, the smallest member of the Soviet team, were "improper, incorrect and unworthy of gentlemen." Miss Filatova's childlike figure was merely "the result of her parents." She said her mother was also small.

Dr. Robert Klein, French chief medical examiner at the Strasbourg championships said earlier this month he suspected that some east-bloc trainers had used the drugs.

Smaller and lighter female gymnasts tend to outperform their seniors because of the high strength-to-weight ratio needed in the sport.

**Banned**

Meanwhile, the Soviet Union has protested against the bans imposed on four Russian competitors for failing drug tests at the European Athletic Championships in Prague in September. Tass reported Saturday.

The four Russian athletes,

including Nadya Tkachenko winner of the women's pentathlon, and one Bulgarian competitor were disqualified at a European Athletic Association (EAA) meeting in Rhodes on Nov. 5.

They were found to have taken muscle-building anabolic steroids, and have been banned until their national federations apply for reinstatement.

Tass quoted Soviet Athletics Federation President Leonid Khomenkov as saying the system of drug tests used in Prague deviated from the rules of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF).

The examiners also ignored the fact that radiological tests on the athletes proved negative, he said.

## India-Pakistan Test seen bound for draw

KARACHI, Nov. 18 (R) — Indian opening batsman Sunil Gavaskar, who scored a century in the first innings, joined Mohinder Amarnath in a century stand after Pakistan had taken a first innings lead of 137 on the fourth day of the Third and final cricket test here Saturday.

Gavaskar, 67 not out, and Amarnath, 53, put on 117 together in India's second innings after it had lost Chetan Chauhan for a duck in a fine opening spell of pace bowling by Imran Khan and Sarfraz Nawaz.

At the close India were 131 for two, six runs behind Pakistan, which replied with 481 for nine declared to the visitors' first innings score of 344.

Pakistan, for which Javed Miandad completed a century Saturday, appears virtually certain to get at least a draw in this match — enough to give it victory in the series. It won one of the previous tests and the other was drawn.

Javed scored exactly 100, hitting a six and eight fours, and was then caught behind off Kapil Dev. Pakistan captain Mushtaq Mohammad, who assisted him in a sixth wicket partnership of 154, was out for 78 when he hooked Karsan Ghavri and was caught at deep fine leg.

**NSW crumbles**

SYDNEY, Australia, (AP) — A patient 67 by Test discard John Dyson failed to stop New South Wales' crumbling against the spin of England's Geoff Miller at the Sydney Cricket Ground Saturday.

At stumps on the second day, New South Wales was in a precarious position at 157 for six in reply to England's first innings total of 374.

New South Wales was still

68 runs short of avoiding the follow-on.

The batsmen not out were Graeme Hughes on 24 and Test wicket keeper Steve Rixon on seven.

Miller, a 25-year-old off spinner from Derbyshire, bowled New South Wales into trouble after the early batsmen had been kept in check by some spirited pace bowling by Bob Willis and Mike Hendrick.

Miller finished with figures of 3-54 off 15 overs, having captured the vital wickets of Dyson, Alan Border (11) and David Johnston (16).

**Slap**

The innings by Dyson was a slap in the face for the New South Wales selectors who had dropped the right-hander from the state side for the Sheffield Shield match against Western Australia a fortnight ago.

Last season, Dyson was dumped by the Australian selectors for the final Test against India after earlier playing three tests and scoring 53 in his Test debut.

## Islanders keep unbeaten streak

LANDOVER, Maryland, Nov. 18 (AP) — New York's Lorne Henning assisted on one goal and scored the game winner to keep the Islanders' six-game winning streak alive by defeating Washington, 4-2, in National Hockey League action Friday night.

Boston center Peter McNab scored two goals and right wing Terry O'Reilly had one goal and one assist as the Boston Bruins defeated the Atlanta Flames, 6-2, at home the same night.

## At London event

## Feverish McEnroe wins through

WEMBLEY, England, Nov. 18 (AP) — John McEnroe overcame tonsillitis and Dick Stockton Saturday to reach the final of the \$175,000 Benson and Hedges Grand Prix tennis tournament at Wembley Empire Pool.

McEnroe, 19, the third seed and winner of the last week's Stockholm Open, downed his unseeded 27-year-old fellow American, 6-4 6-3 in 72 minutes.

On Friday, the young American advanced to the semifinals and then was treated by a doctor for a high temperature and suspected tonsillitis.

McEnroe, favored to win the \$36,400 first prize, took one hour and five minutes to dispose of fifth-seeded Italian Corrado Barazzutti, 6-0, 7-6, in a remarkable quarterfinal match.

But the New Yorker felt ill after his victory and was examined by a doctor and rushed back to his hotel.

"I've had it before and I've played with it before," McEnroe said. "I knew it was there before the match and I arranged to see a doctor before I went on court."

McEnroe took the first set in just 18 minutes, dropping only seven points. He then raced into a 4-0 lead in the second set before slumping dramatically.

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**Gritty**

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Tim Gullikson, who defeated top-seeded Gerulaitis Thursday, continued his role as giant-killer Friday when he beat sixth-seeded Sandy Mayer of the United States 6-2, 6-2.

Gullikson, hoping to meet McEnroe in the final after losing to him in the final of the Stockholm Open last week, took just 58 minutes to oust Mayer.

Tim, the right-handed Gullikson twin volleyed superbly, "had an off day," he said. "He had trouble with his first serve and I was returning his second serve well."

Ever meets Navratilova

RANCHO MIRAGE, California, Nov. 18 (AP) — De-

fending champion Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova won as expected Friday night, in the singles semifinals of the \$50,000 series tennis championships at Mission Hills Country Club.

Evert overpowered Virginia Wade 6-2, 6-2, while Navratilova had a tougher time defeating Virginia Ruzici, 6-4, 6-4, in the richest women's tennis tournament. Evert and Navratilova were to meet Saturday afternoon in the final with a record \$75,000 and a car going to the winner.

Evert has a lifetime record of 21-6 against Navratilova in tournament competition, but has lost twice in three meetings this year including a 2-6, 6-4, 7-5 decision in the match at Wimbledon.

Navratilova, a 22-year-old Czech expatriate now living in the United States, lost only four games in her first two matches this year. But it was a different story against Ruzici, 23, of Romania. Navratilova had to wait for the 10th game to go ahead in the first set.

**Rousing**

Wade, of England, got off to a rousing start by breaking Evert's service in the first game. But the 23-year-old Florida won the next five games, breaking Wade's service three times along the way and went on to break twice in the second set.

"I was awful, I was just so bad I couldn't believe it," said Wade. "I had no timing at all. The first game was the only decent game I played. I just didn't seem to be seeing the ball."

**Ickx, Unser favored**

in race of 'greats'

MACAO, Nov. 18 (AP) — Former World Champion Jackie Stewart Saturday picked Belgian Jackie Ickx and Bobby Unser of the United States as favorites in the "Race of the Giants," a special event featuring racing greats to be held Sunday to celebrate the 25th Macao Grand Prix.

Meanwhile, 30 competitors for Sunday's Grand Prix indicated they may have reversed their earlier decision to withdraw following complaints that race organizers were slow in removing cars left on the race circuit.



Seattle's Brown

ton each scored 25 points for Seattle while Tom Lagarde had 24. Ricky Sobers collected 25 points for the Pacers, who have lost five in a row.

The Lakers, unbeaten since a shaky 1-4 start this season, led virtually all the way against New Orleans.

**Paced**

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar paced Los Angeles with 32 points and 23 rebounds while Jamaal Wilkes contributed 23 points. Rich Kelley had 27 points and 25 rebounds for the jazz and Pete Maravich scored 22 points.

Chicago, sparked by Artis Gilmore with 34, rallied with a 13-1 spurt in the first four minutes of the second half and went ahead to lay 63-57.

The four Russian athletes,

## S. African wins surfing classic

HONOLULU, Nov. 18 (AP) — South African Shaun Tomson won first place Friday in the International Surfing Classic.

Tomson won \$5,000 in the competition, which was held in 10 to 15-foot surf at Sunset Beach, on the north shore of the island of Oahu.

Second was Reno Abellira of Hawaii, followed by Australia's Bruce Raymond.

## Ossie and Ricky bring Argentine grace to harsh English game

By Robert Low

LONDON, Nov. 18: — For English football fans the news which broke in July was unexpected. Only a few weeks before they had watched Argentina win the World Cup in Buenos Aires, beating the best opposition Europe could offer with a three-week campaign of old-fashioned attacking soccer.

By the end of the tournament Argentine players had become household names. England itself had not even managed to qualify for the finals.

The news was astonishing. Two of the Argentine squad, Osvaldo Ardiles and Ricardo Villa, had been signed by Tottenham Hotspur for a joint transfer fee of 750,000 pounds (\$1.5 million) and would henceforth be playing in the English First Division.

To Argentines the news was routine. They have long been used to seeing their best players move abroad, attracted by far higher wages than they can earn at home. But Ardiles and Villa would be the first foreigners to play for an English club. For only this year did

the English soccer authorities relax their long-standing ban on import players from overseas.

**Flood**

There was speculation that Ardiles and Villa would be only the first of a flood of foreigners to be signed by the hitherto insular English clubs. In fact, only two more Argentines have come. Second Division Sheffield United signed Alex Sabella, who has played four times for his country but was not in the World Cup squad, for 160,000 pounds (\$320,000) from River Plate; and Birmingham City snapped up Alberto Tarantini, Argentina's World Cup left-back, from Boca Juniors for 175,000 pounds (\$350,000) — an outstanding bargain.

**Harsh**



PUTTING DOWN ROOTS: Ardiles meets his baby son Frederico for the first time when he arrived from Argentina with his mother Sylvia and brother Pablo last week.

from the Second Division last season and trying to regain the glorious days of the early 1960s when they were indisputably England's top club, the introduction of the Argentines looks like paying off. After a disastrous start to the season,

which included a 7-0 thrashing by European champion Liverpool, Spurs have moved steadily up the table and now stand in a respectable ninth place.

Off the field Ardiles and Villa — known as "Ossie" and "Ricky" to the fans — have

impressed their colleagues, the public and the press with their charm and courtesy. Both are taking English lessons and their manager Keith Burkinshaw says he has no difficulty in communicating what he wants to them.

## British football results

### English League

**Division One**

Arsenal 2, Everton 2  
Villa 2, Bristol C. 0  
Bolton 0, WBA 1  
Chelsea 1, Spurs 3  
Derby 2, Birmingham 1  
Liverpool 1, Man. City 2  
Man. Utd. 2, Ipswich 1  
Middlesbrough 2, Hampton 0  
Norwich 1, Coventry 0  
Forest 0, QPR 0  
Wolves 1, Leeds 1

**Division Two**

Blackburn 3, Notts Co. 4  
Bristol R. 5, Charlton 5  
Burnley 5, Fulham 3  
Cambridge 1, Leicester 1  
Luton 2, Newcastle 0  
Millwall 3, Stoke 0  
Oldham 2, Cardiff 1  
Sheffield Utd. 0, Preston 1  
Sunderland 2, Brighton 1  
West Ham 1, Palace 1

Wrexham 3, Orient 1

**Division Three**

Blackpool 1, Rotherham 2  
Ch'field 0, Brentford 0  
Colchester 1, Sheffield W. 0  
Exeter C. 0, Chester 1  
G'ham 3, Bury 3  
Hull C. 2, Tranmere 1  
Lincoln C. 3, Plymouth 3  
Peterboro' 0, Watford 1  
Swansea 1, Oxford 1  
Swindon 2, Shrewsbury 1  
Walsall 1, Carlisle 2

**Division Four**

Aldershot 1, Rochdale 0  
Barnsley 0, Bradford C. 1  
Bournemouth 2, Darlington 2  
Doncaster 1, York C. 2  
Grimsby 2, Halifax 1  
Hereford 3, Torquay 1  
H'field 3, Scunthorpe 2  
Northampton 1, Wimbledon 1  
Portsmouth 3, Hartlepool 0  
Port Vale 2, Crewe 2  
Wigan 3, Reading 0

## Holds off Nuggets

## Boston shakes off dust of early season

NEW YORK, Nov. 18 (AP) — The Boston Celtics, noted for their racehorse offense in 1st years but slow out of the blocks this season, reverted to their old style Friday night — Dave Cowens' first game as a player-coach — and held off the Denver Nuggets, 120-118.

The Celtics built a 20-point lead late in the third period, then had to withstand a furious Denver rally before gaining their third victory in 13 games this season.

Cowens contributed 17 points and 12 rebounds before fouling out in the final minute to help the Celtics break a six-game losing streak and hand the

slumping, injury-riddled Nuggets their fourth consecutive setback.

Billy Knight led the Celtics with 24 points, Chris Ford scored 22, Nate Archibald had 18 and Jojo White tallied 15. David Thompson paced Denver with 33 points and reserve Robert Smith collected 19 — 12 in the final period.

In other National Basketball Association games Friday night, the Washington Bullets routed the New Jersey Nets, 143-94, the Philadelphia 76ers edged the Phoenix Suns, 95-94, the Seattle SuperSonics downed the Indiana Pacers, 126-115, the Chicago Bulls beat the Golden

State Warriors, 100-89, and the Los Angeles Lakers won their 12th straight game, 121-109, over the New Orleans Jazz.

**Champions**

Washington's defending NBA champions, with Elvin Hayes hitting 22 of his 30 points in the first two periods, raced to a commanding 70-40 halftime lead and never looked back.

Mitch Kupchak added 21 points for Washington while Wes Unseld had 10 points, 14 rebounds and seven assists, including six on long outlet passes leading to breakaway layups in the first half.

The 76ers, leaders of the Atlantic Division, boosted their record to 12-2 with the help of a decisive free throw with four seconds remaining.

In the closing minutes of the second period and the opening minutes on the third quarter, the 76ers reeled off 17 straight points in going from a 52-46 deficit to a 63-52 lead.

**Consecutive**

The Sonics, leading the Pacific Division, also with a 12-2 record, handed Indiana its 24th consecutive loss on the West Coast since the Pacers joined the NBA in 1976.

Fred Brown and Lonnie Shel-

## Nicklaus stays 4 ahead in breezy Aussie Open

SYDNEY, Australia, Nov. 18 (AP) — American Jack Nicklaus retained a four-stroke lead Saturday after the third round of the \$253,000 Australian Open golf championship.

The strongest challenge to Nicklaus came from fellow American Bruce Lietzke, who fired the top score of two-under-par 70 to cut an eight-stroke deficit by four strokes.

Lietzke and Ben Crenshaw, who shot a 74, were in second position on 217, four strokes behind Nicklaus, known in golfing circles as "the Golden Bear."

Strong wind conditions made playing extremely difficult, but Nicklaus fired one birdie in the front nine before bogeys on the 11th, 16th and 18th holes for a final round score of 74.

His previous rounds of 73 and a course record of six-under-par 66 on Friday put Nicklaus in a strong position to win the Open title for the sixth time.

Canada's Gary Hamilton shared the best score of the day with Lietzke, firing a two-under-par 70 which brought him up among the leaders with a three-round total of 224.

American Tom Kite remained in a strong position after firing a five-over-par 77 for a three round total of 221, eight strokes behind Nicklaus and four strokes behind Crenshaw and Lietzke.

Australia's Graham Marsh fired 76 to be alone at 222.

American Bob Byman, who finished overnight in second position, had difficulty coping

## Ossie and Ricky bring Argentine grace to harsh English game

By Robert Low

LONDON, Nov. 18: — For English football fans the news which broke in July was unexpected. Only a few weeks before they had watched Argentina win the World Cup in Buenos Aires, beating the best opposition Europe could offer with a three-week campaign of old-fashioned attacking soccer.

By the end of the tournament Argentine players had become household names. England itself had not even managed to qualify for the finals.

The news was astonishing. Two of the Argentine squad, Osvaldo Ardiles and Ricardo Villa, had been signed by Tottenham Hotspur for a joint transfer fee of 750,000 pounds (\$1.5 million) and would henceforth be playing in the English First Division.

To Argentines the news was routine. They have long been used to seeing their best players move abroad, attracted by far higher wages than they can earn at home. But Ardiles and Villa would be the first foreigners to play for an English club. For only this year did

the English soccer authorities relax their long-standing ban on import players from overseas.

**Flood**

There was speculation that Ardiles and Villa would be only the first of a flood of foreigners to be signed by the hitherto insular English clubs. In fact, only two more Argentines have come. Second Division Sheffield United signed Alex Sabella, who has played four times for his country but was not in the World Cup squad, for 160,000 pounds (\$320,000) from River Plate; and Birmingham City snapped up Alberto Tarantini, Argentina's World Cup left-back, from Boca Juniors for 175,000 pounds (\$350,000) — an outstanding bargain.

**Harsh**

Many experts were doubtful that the Argentines would adapt successfully to the harsh demands of English League football. The First Division, is said to be the toughest in the world with 42 matches a season, than anywhere else.

For Tottenham, promoted

from the Second Division last season and trying to regain the glorious days of the early 1960s when they were indisputably England's top club, the introduction of the Argentines looks like paying off. After a disastrous start to the season,

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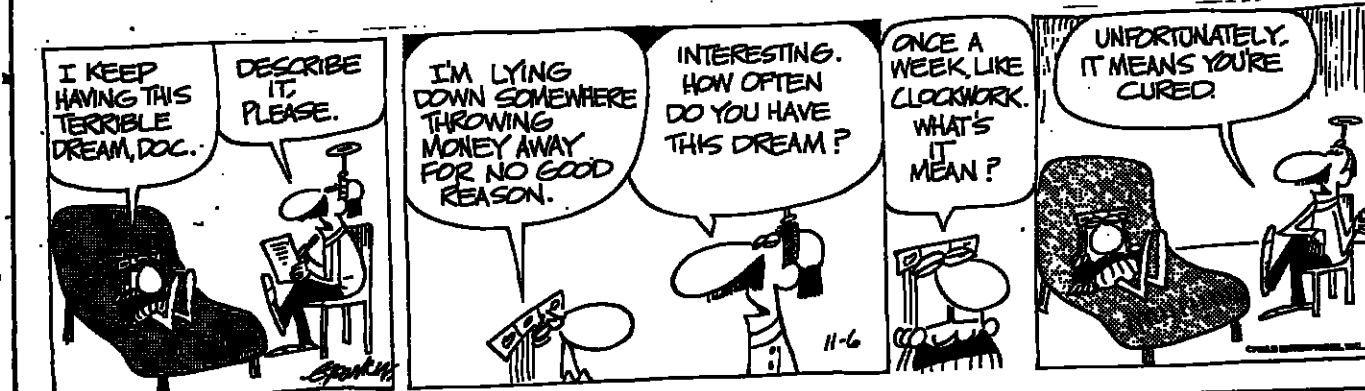
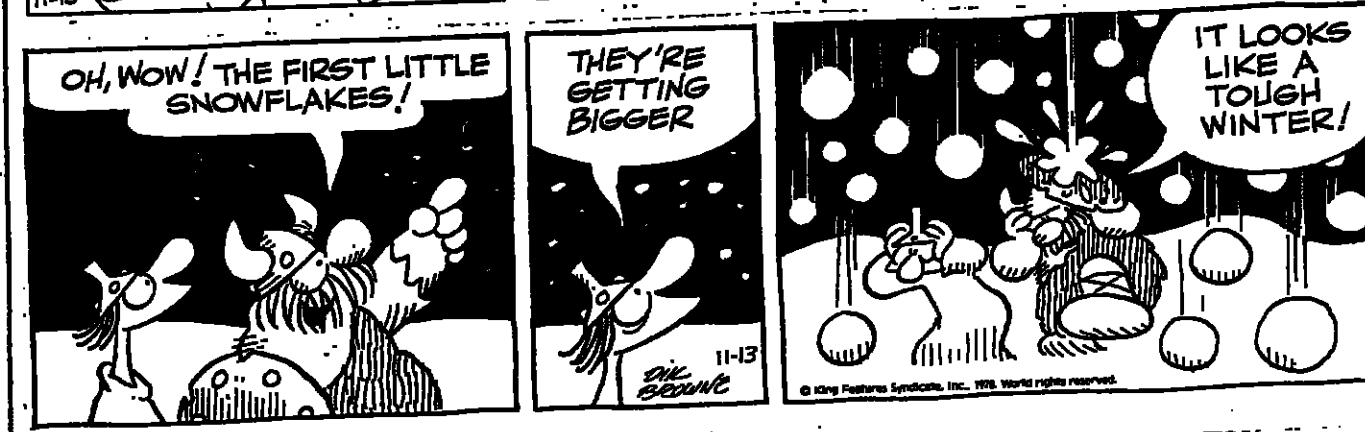
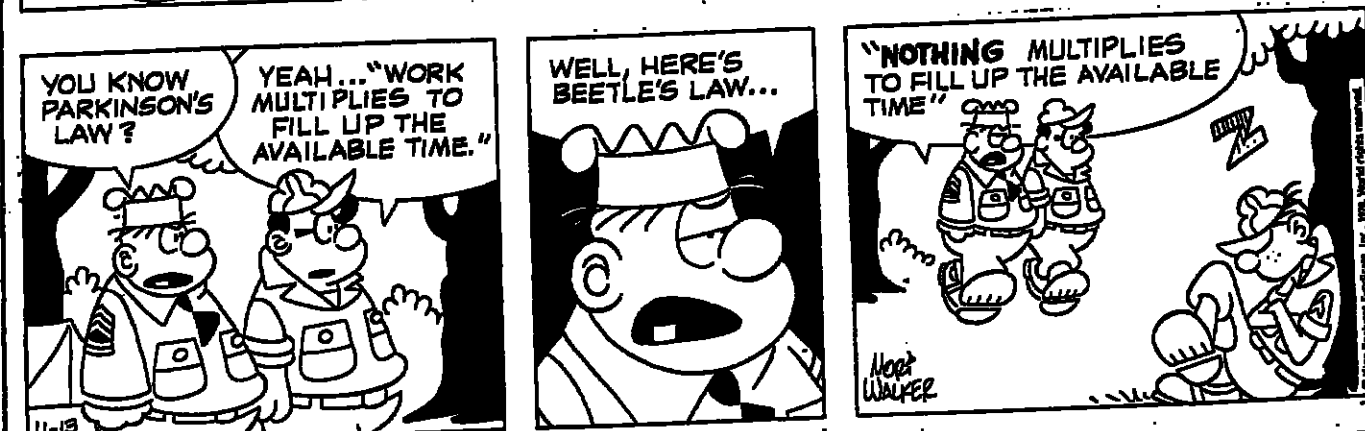
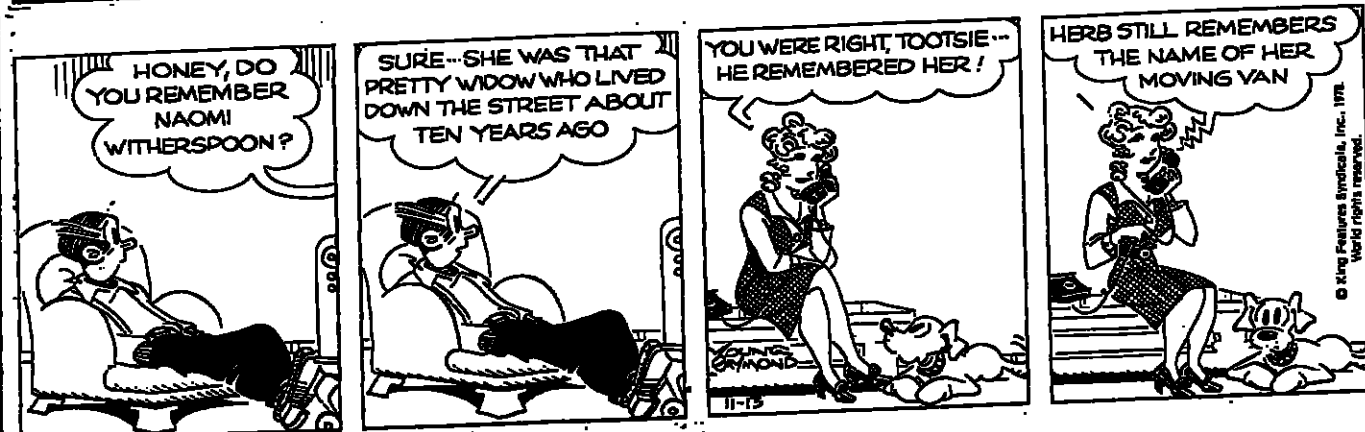
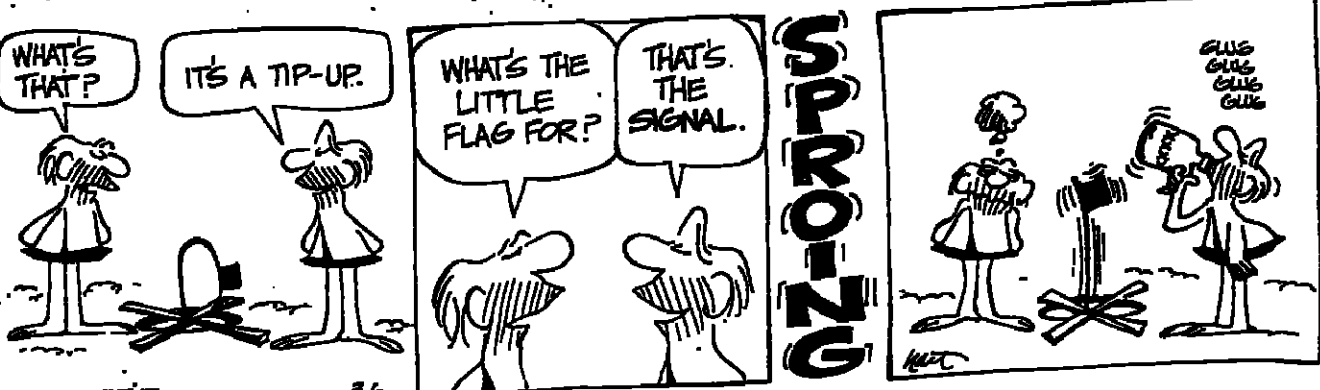
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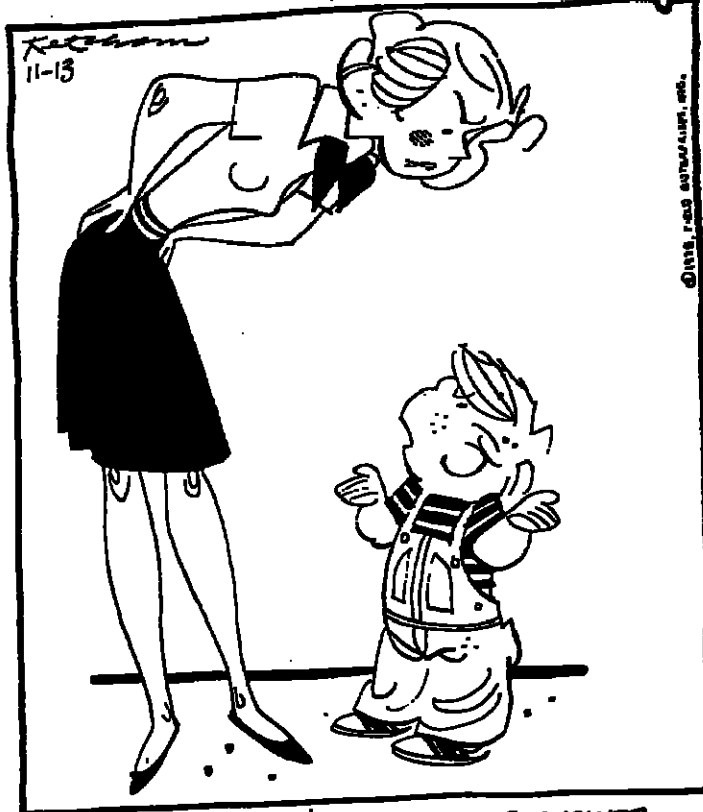
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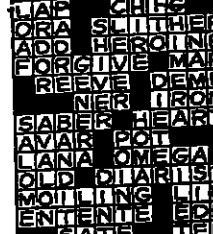


## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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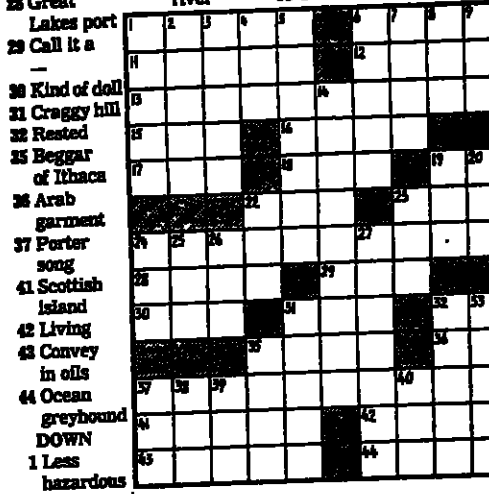
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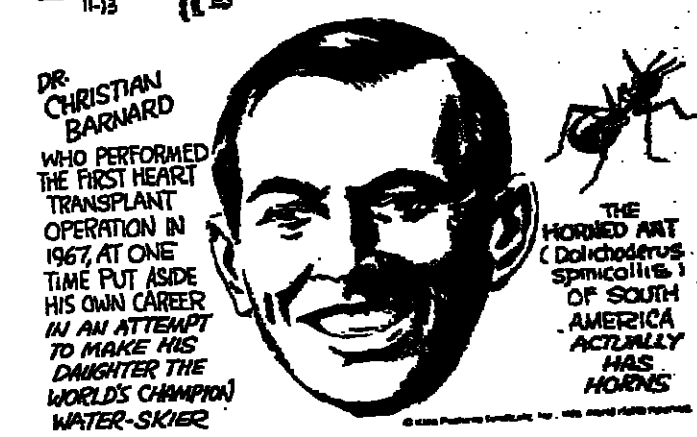
AXYDLBAAXE  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

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OKTEYLXHR SK'N HJ QJJE  
NZYEEM SYN SXN NZN  
FXTJEN - AXENJE GYPHEL  
Saturday's Cryptquote: FAITH IS ONE OF THE FORCES BY WHICH MEN LIVE; AND THE TOTAL ABSENCE OF IT MEANS COLLAPSE - WILLIAM JAMES

# Believe It or Not!



DR. CHRISTIAN BARNARD WHO PERFORMED THE FIRST HEART TRANSPLANT OPERATION IN 1967, AT ONE TIME PUT ASIDE HIS OWN CAREER IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE HIS DAUGHTER THE WORLD'S CHAMPION WATER-SKIER

## Contract Bridge

B. Jay Becker

Cast Your Bread Upon the Waters

South dealer. East-West vulnerable.

NORTH  
A88  
10872  
883  
Q105

WEST  
Q73  
QJ  
QK1052  
AJ74

EAST  
K953  
AJ374  
883

SOUTH  
KQJ10642  
A54  
K92

The bidding:

South West North East  
4 Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead - king of diamonds.

It is not difficult to make four spades - assuming you know where the jack of clubs is located. If West has the jack you lead low to dummy's Q-10 and finesse the ten; if East has the jack you lead low from dummy to your K-9 and finesse the nine.

You seldom know in such situations where the missing jack is located, and the question that arises is how to go about solving these difficult problems. Unfortunately, there is no magic rule that

guides declarer to the correct solution in all cases, and the chief reason for this is that the surrounding circumstances are different in every case.

Declarer's best method of play here, after ruffing the diamond lead high to enter dummy with a spade to the dummy, is to lead another diamond, play a spade to the nine, and ruff dummy's last diamond. The object of all these plays is to clear dummy of diamonds and thus give you the way to resolving the club problem.

Declarer then plays the ace and another heart. As it happens, West wins the lead and must yield the contract whether he returns a club or a diamond. Note that the outcome would be exactly the same if the hearts had turned out to be divided 2-3. East-West could not defend successfully in this case.

In effect, South solves the jack of clubs problem directly - by first eliminating dummy's diamonds. The suggested method of play is not 100 per cent certain to succeed; the East-West cards may be so divided that South will still have to guess the location of the jack of clubs later on. But the recommended method of play is nevertheless far more reliable than depending entirely on one's occult powers.

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## ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

### PRAYER TIMES

| SUNDAY | Fajr | Ishraq | Dhuhr | Asr  | Maghreb | Isha |
|--------|------|--------|-------|------|---------|------|
| Mecca  | 5:18 | 6:40   | 12:13 | 3:23 | 5:42    | 7:12 |
| Medina | 5:23 | 6:45   | 12:16 | 3:20 | 5:38    | 7:08 |
| Nejd   | 4:49 | 6:12   | 11:41 | 2:47 | 5:05    | 6:35 |

### DHAHRAN TV

|                           |                                 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 3:30 Children's Show      | CB Bears: Hard Headed No. 308   |
| 4:50 Jokers Wild          | Aerobic Water Ski               |
| 5:10 Wide World Of Sports | The Big Brother                 |
| 6:02 Waltons              | One Of Our Sweathogs Is Missing |
| 6:51 Wel. Bk. Korter      | Take Notice                     |
| 7:25 Safety Film          | Death Game                      |
| 7:26 Police Woman         | Cliffons Big Move               |
| 8:16 That's My Mama       | Baxter                          |
| 8:41 Second Run           |                                 |

### WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours. Patches of clouds over the central, eastern and northern regions as well as the southwestern highlands will offer chances of sporadic showers. Fine weather will continue throughout the Kingdom, but cold at night over the northern region where frost is expected to form in the early hours of the morning. Sea conditions are light to moderate in the territorial waters.

| Saturday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade) | Mecca | Jeddah | Riyadh | Dhahran | Medina | Taif | Tabuk | Al-Jaif | Al-Qassim | Bisha | Sulayil | Abha |
|--|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|------|-------|---------|-----------|-------|---------|------|
|  | 30    | 29     | 17     | 25      | 23     | 25   | 20    | 18      | 12        | 31    | 27      | 21   |
|  | 20    | 18     | 12     | 19      | 15     | 12   | 02    | 15      | 01        | 06    | 15      | 09   |

## SAUDI RADIO

| Afternoon Transmission        | Evening Transmission                 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2:00 Opening                  | 10:00 Opening                        |
| 2:01 The Holy Quran           | 10:01 The Holy Quran                 |
| 2:05 Gems of Guidance         | 10:05 Message to the Faithful        |
| 2:10 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle | 10:10 Light Music                    |
| 2:15 Music                    | 10:15 NEWS                           |
| 2:30 On Islam                 | 10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle       |
| 2:45 Carefree                 | 10:30 Sports Review                  |
| 2:55 Music                    | 11:00 Islamic Activities on Focus    |
| 3:00 NEWS                     | 11:10 Press Review                   |
| 3:10 Press Review             | 11:15 I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again |
| 3:15 Music                    | 11:45 The Golden Age                 |
| 3:20 Hits in Germany          | 12:00 Music                          |
| 3:50 Close Down               | 12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams       |
|                               | 12:59 Close Down                     |

### VOA

| P.M.  | News Summary  |
|---|---|
| 8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analysis  | 10:30 VOA Magazine: America: Science: Cultural: Letter.   |
| 8:30 Dateline   | 11:00 Special English: News   |
| 9:00 News Summary   | 11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)   |
| 9:00 Special English: News; Feature: The Making of a Nation | VOA WORLD REPORT  |
| 9:30 Music USA: (Standards)                                 | Midnight  |
| 10:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analysis | 12:00 News... newsmakers' voices... correspondents reports... background features... media comments... news analyses. |

## BBC

| Morning Transmission                  | 4.30 The Pleasure's Yours             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 8.00 World News                       | 5.15 Report on Religion               |
| 8.09 *Twenty-Four Hours. News Summary | 6.00 Radio Newsreel                   |
| 8.30 *Sarah Ward                      | 6.15 *Outlook                         |
| 8.45 World Today                      | 7.00 World News                       |
| 9.00 Newsdesk                         | 7.09 Commentary                       |
| 9.30 *Opera Star                      | 7.15 *Sherlock Holmes                 |
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| 10.30 *Sarah Ward                     | 8.09 *Books and Writers               |
| 10.45 *Something to Show You          | 8.30 *Take One                        |
| 11.00 World News                      | 8.45 Sports Round-up                  |
| 11.09 Reflections                     | 9.00 World News                       |
| 11.15 Piano Style                     | 9.09 News about Britain               |
| 11.30 Brain of Britain 1978           | 9.15 Radio Newsreel                   |
| 12.00 World News                      | 9.30 Farming World                    |
| 12.09 British Press Review            | 10.00 Outlook News Summary            |
| 12.15 World Today                     | 10.39 Stock Market Report             |
| 12.30 Financial News                  | 10.43 Look Ahead                      |
| 12.40 Look Ahead                      | 10.45 Ulster in Focus                 |
| 12.45 The Tony Myatt Request Show     | 11.00 World News                      |
|                                       | 11.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary |
|                                       | 11.30 The Pleasure's Yours            |
|                                       | Midnight Transmission                 |
|                                       | 12.15 Talkabout                       |
|                                       | 12.45 Nature Notebook                 |
|                                       | 1.00 World News                       |
|                                       | 1.09 World Today                      |
|                                       | 1.25 Financial News                   |
|                                       | 1.35 Book Choice                      |
|                                       | 1.40 Reflections                      |
|                                       | 1.45 Sports Round-up                  |
|                                       | 2.00 World News                       |
|                                       | 2.09 Commentary                       |
|                                       | 2.15 The Face of England              |

## Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1978

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 20) ♈

The company you keep is beginning to have an influence on you. Better decide if this is the way you want to go. If not, make new friends.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 to May 21) ♉

There are just too many thoughts buzzing around your head. Force yourself to zero in on first things first or you won't accomplish a thing.

GEMINI (May 22 to June 21) ♊

Be realistic about your affairs. If you mistake wishes for reality, you will be disillusioned.

CANCER (June 22 to July 23) ♋

It's up to you to keep domestic matters running smoothly. Lose your temper and it will be like lighting a match in a firecracker factory. Walk softly.

LEO (July 24 to Aug. 23) ♌

What have you done for yourself lately? It's time to pamper YOU. Treat yourself to something special this evening.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 to Sept. 23) ♍

You usually are fast to grasp opportunity, but if you are not on your toes it could

pass you by today. Stay away from someone who is competitive.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 to Oct. 23) ♎

You'd like to sing the song of the open road, drive off into a travelogue sunset. Enjoy such thoughts - but right now you cannot escape responsibility.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 to Nov. 23) ♏

The very mention of romance rates a smirk today. Don't let a temporary disillusionment result in cynicism. In the long run, you'll be happy in affairs of the heart.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 to Dec. 21) ♐

Nothing pleases because you are in a fault-finding mood. Don't sell friends, lovers, or associates short because you're grumpy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) ♑

Your plans for a quiet day of rest are doomed. Accept an unexpected invitation to an outing, and you will have an absolutely delightful time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) ♒

Stand by to have your brains picked. Others will call on your quick wit to come up with an amusing slogan or saying. As usual, you won't let them down.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) ♓

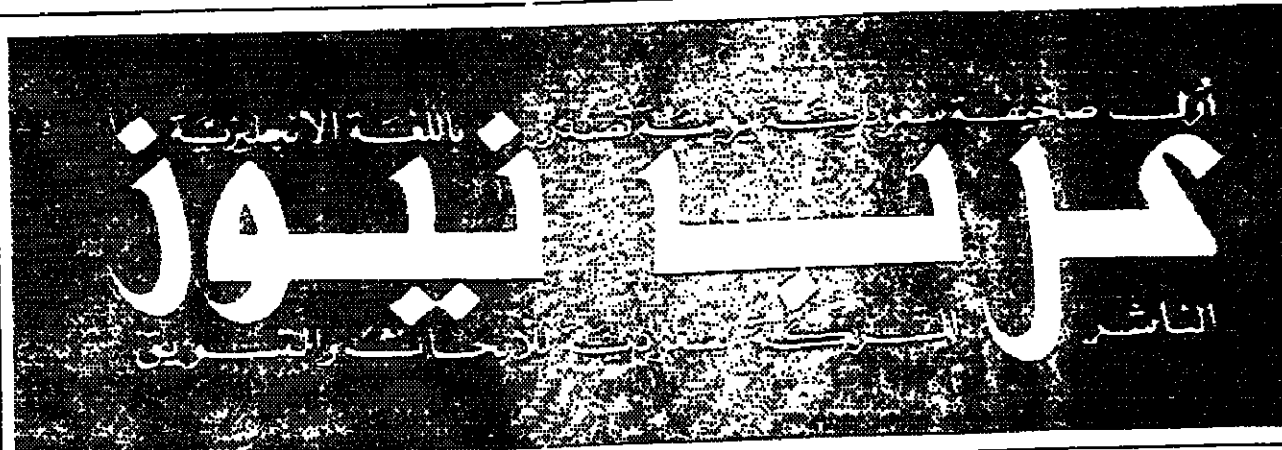
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Late News

## Farah's Iraq visit seen as gesture to Iranian opposition

TEHRAN, Nov. 18 (R)—Empress Farah of Iran left here Saturday for Baghdad on the first visit by a top-ranking member of the Iranian Imperial Family to neighboring Iraq in 25 years.

### Rightists report 5 killed, hurt in East Beirut

BEIRUT, Nov. 18 (R)—Lebanese rightists Saturday reported at least five people killed or wounded in sniper fire and shelling of eastern districts of Beirut.

The Phalangist Radio said the fire came from the mainly Syrian Arab League Deterrent Force and quoted a rightist forces command statement as saying it was not returning the fire.

But the left-wing Independent Nasserite movement said the rightists had fired on the ADF in the traditional combat zone, including the city center, killing two people and wounding at least five.

### Riyadh governor opens Faisal Foundation hotel

RIYADH, Nov. 18 (SPA)—Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman Saturday opened the Khazami Hotel, the first to be built by the King Faisal Foundation.

The hotel has 175 rooms and 15 suites, two small villas, a swimming pool, a restaurant and a cafeteria. It cost SR 58 million.

After cutting the ribbon, the prince attended a tea party which was addressed by Muhammad Abdullah Al-Wabel, secretary general of the foundation.

Wabel dealt with the projects being carried out by the foundation to generate funds to be

An official spokesman said she would visit the holy city of Najaf, south of Baghdad, when Shi'ite Muslims celebrate the anniversary of Prophet Muhammad's appointment of his son-in-law Ali as his successor.

The two day visit to Iraq was a sign of the improving relations between the two countries who ended a bitter border dispute in 1975 with Algerian mediation.

A brother of the Shah and some other members of the Imperial Family visited Baghdad last year, but the Empress's pilgrimage was the first visit by one of the couple since the Shah was there in 1953.

The Empress's visit to Najaf was seen here as clearly aimed at Iranian Shi'ites, who form about 95 per cent of the population, as an indication of the Royal Family's religious feeling.

The Shah is facing strong opposition from conservative Shi'ite leaders as well as secular political opponents this year.



**SPY IN THE SKY:** A high-altitude reconnaissance jet of the type U.S. sources say has been ordered by the administration to fly over Cuba to determine whether the newly-delivered Soviet MiGs are capable of carrying nuclear weapons.

### Bodies arrive in Borneo

## Malaysia mourns pilgrims' deaths

BANJARMASIN, Indonesia, Nov. 18 (R)—The remains of 173 Indonesian pilgrims who died in Wednesday's air disaster in Colombo arrived Saturday night aboard two air force transport planes.

Thousands of relatives who had been waiting for several hours at the airport of this South Kalimantan (Borneo) provincial capital wept as the coffins were carried from the planes.

The bodies of the home-bound pilgrims, from Mecca, most of them badly charred and mutilated, were contained in about 150 coffins.

Flags were flying at half-mast at the airport, as in the rest of Indonesia which has declared three days of national mourning for the victims of the Colombo crash, the second involving Indonesian pilgrims in four years. The total death toll was 183.

The victims were due to be buried in two mass graves in a

special plot near the National Heroes' Cemetery north of the City.

Special prayers were conducted by Muslim dignitaries and a large crowd wept as the

bodies were taken aboard in Colombo.

The plane had been told to keep to a height of 650 feet to within two miles of the airport.

### From page one

#### Saudi Arabia

In an apparent reference to the Camp David peace accords signed between Egypt, Israel and the United States in September, Blumenthal noted that American political involvement with Saudi Arabia "has deepened significantly...in the last few months."

Saudi Arabia has criticized the Camp David accords, and joined with other Arab states earlier this month in Baghdad in urging Egypt to withdraw from current peace negotiations in Washington.

Blumenthal's visit to Saudi Arabia will be followed later by stops in Abu Dhabi, Kuwait and Iran, three of the other major producers in OPEC. Together with Saudi Arabia, these Gulf states have supported a moderate oil-pricing policy.

In recent months, however, the Gulf states have joined with other OPEC members in urging stronger dollar-strengthening measures on President Carter, noting that oil revenues have fallen by at least 15 per cent due to the dollar's decline in 1978.

Several OPEC members have already called for price increases ranging from five to 25 per cent or more.

In Baghdad, Iraq's semi-official "Al Jumhuriyah" newspaper said Saturday that the main purpose of Blumenthal's tour is to persuade the area's oil producers against increasing oil prices.

The main goal of the United States is the continuation of the current oil prices. This is why it has sent its representative to Arab members of OPEC only a few weeks before the Abu Dhabi meeting," the paper said.

"Al-Jumhuriyah" reiterated the Iraqi government line saying the OPEC meeting must increase oil prices "in order to compensate the losses caused by the declining value of the U.S. dollar."

"The actual price of crude oil as a result of the dollar's decline has fallen to six dollars per barrel, against the 1973 price of \$12.70," "Al-Jumhuriyah" added.

In Jordan, the English language daily "Jordan Times" accused Blumenthal of wanting the Middle East oil producers "to bow to the changing fortunes of the American economy."

The paper said Blumenthal was asking OPEC members to keep any price rise agreed to at Abu Dhabi down to five per cent so that the U.S. had a chance to slow its inflation. "By the measure of sheer volume, the United States does have the world's biggest economy, which apparently prompts the officials of the

United States to assume that the other peoples of the world should adapt their decision-making processes to the fickle financial and economic pulse of the steelmakers of Pennsylvania, the wheat-growers of Kansas, and the dockers of Baltimore," the paper said. "The United States may take strong measures to protect its national purchasing power as this is represented in the value of its currency and its financial reserves. The Mideast oil producers may not."

"For Mr. Blumenthal to ask them (the oil producers) now to bow to the vicissitudes of the American economy is a rather mediocre performance."

In his speech to the Joint Commission meeting, Sheikh Abu Al-Khail noted that trade between Saudi Arabia and the United States had grown from SR 6.152 billion in 1974 to SR 23.8 billion in 1977. Saudi imports from America for the first quarter of 1978 stood at SR 2.59 billion, "a figure exceeding that of the Kingdom's imports from the United States during the whole of 1974."

Sheikh Abu Al-Khail applauded the use in American investments in Saudi Arabia, which stood at SR 657 million after the first eight months of this year.

"The Kingdom wishes to see more and more American private companies investing in Saudi Arabia in cooperation with Saudi private institutions in the industrial and service sectors," the minister said. "In support of this objective, Saudi government is doing its best to enact various laws and regulations to create an appropriate working environment for all companies coming from friendly countries."

Blumenthal responded by saying the U.S. government took an active interest in Saudi Arabia's development. "I feel strongly that recognizing the long-term economic interdependence between the United States and Saudi Arabia is an important step towards ensuring the well-being of both countries," the Secretary remarked. "We in the United States no less than you in Saudi Arabia have much to gain, both economically and politically, from successfully meeting the challenges presented by Saudi Arabia's development program."

After meeting with Crown Prince Fahd Saturday, Blumenthal attended a banquet hosted by Minister Abu Al-Khail at the Al Hamra Guest Palace.

Blumenthal was scheduled

## Moscow admits jets in Cuba but denies nuclear capability

MOSCOW, Nov. 18 (Agencies)—The Soviet Union acknowledged Saturday that high-performance fighter jets "of the same type" as MiG-23 aircraft are present in Cuba.

A "Pravda" commentary carried by the Tass news agency in advance of publication cited press reports that the presence of such aircraft runs counter to a 1962 agreement that the Soviet Union would not introduce aircraft with nuclear capability into Cuba.

"Such allegations are groundless and provocative from beginning to end," said the commentary.

Senior Cuban officials refused to comment on Washington reports that the United States has resumed spy flights over Cuba to determine whether the Soviet Union has sent planes capable of carrying nuclear weapons.

Government sources in Washington said that the U.S. had resumed flights by SR-71 supersonic reconnaissance planes over Cuba to see whether the recently delivered MiG-23 fighters in Cuba had nuclear capability.

Although there was no official Cuban response to the reports, some diplomatic sources were puzzled by the strong American reaction to the possible presence of MiG-23s.

"The surprise is not that the

Soviet Union may have delivered MiG-23s, but that it has taken so long to do so," one Western observer said.

The Tass account said: "By its basic performance charac-

teristics these are planes of the same type which were and are present in Cuba, have and have main indisputable for protection the legitimate interests of this sovereign state," it said.

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"O (thou soul) in (complete) rest and satisfaction! "Come back to thy Lord, well-pleased and well-pleasing (unto HIM)!" — The Holy Quran

The TRIAD Group of Companies and its first founder announce with profound sorrow and grief that **DR. MUHAMMAD KHALED AL-KHASHOQJI** died in Riyadh on Thursday evening, 16 Dhul Hijja 1398H, corresponding to 16 November 1978. His funeral took place in Medina.

"We belong to God and unto Him we return." — The Holy Quran

Signed:-  
On Behalf of the TRIAD Group of  
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Muhammad Othman

## CONDOLENCES In the name of God, Most Kind, Most Merciful

The employees of the TRIAD Group of Companies in Saudi Arabia offer their sincere condolences to Mr. Adnan Muhammad Al-Khashoqji and brothers as well as to the Khashoqji family in the Kingdom, on the passing away of their late lamented father Dr. Muhammad Khaled Al-Khashoqji. May God grant us all forbearance and solace and bless the departed soul.

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